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DAZZLING FIREWORKS light up the sky and a 50-foot by 80-foot American Flag during Quincy's Flag Day celebration at Pageant Field. Fireworks are also synonymous with Independence Day celebrated Thursday, July 4. This year's holiday marks the birth of this nation 248 years ago and commemorates the adoption of the Declaration of Independence.

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Manet Community Health Earns 'LGBTQ+ Healthcare Equality Leader' Designation

In Human Rights Campaign Foundation's Healthcare Equality Index

Manet Community Health (Manet) has once again received "LGBTQ+ Healthcare Equality Leader" designation from the Human Rights Campaign Foundation (HRC).

The designation was awarded in the 16th iteration of HRC's Healthcare Equality Index (HEI), released last month. A record 1,065 healthcare facilities actively participated in the HEI 2024 survey and scoring process. Of those participants, 384 – including Manet – received the top score of 100, earning the "LGBTQ+ Healthcare Equality Leader" designation. In Massachusetts, Manet is one of 12 health care facilities and one of five community health centers to receive Leader designation.

"The Healthcare Equality Index is helping people find facilities where welcoming policies and prac-

tices are the standard," said Kelley Robinson, president of the Human Rights Campaign. "We know that LGBTQ+ people – especially our trans family – continue to face discrimination. No one should have to put their health on the backburner for fear of mistreatment in a healthcare facility or by their doctor."

"Manet is committed to delivering quality, accessible health care with compassion and understanding and in a manner that respects the individual needs of our patients," said Cynthia Sierra, Manet's chief executive officer. "Our providers and staff strive to create an environment where everyone feels welcome, seen and heard. We are honored to have once again earned the LGBTQ+ Healthcare Equality Leader designation."

Chih Chao (Justin) Yang,

MD, MPH, who leads Manet's employee health and LGBTQ+ care programs at Manet and is a Committee Member for the Massachusetts Medical Society Committee on LGBTQ Matters, was instrumental in Manet's survey submission.

"We are proud to provide comprehensive physical and mental health services to the LGBTQ+ community, including the much-needed access to gender affirming care to patients on the South Shore and South Coast," he said. "It is gratifying to know that patients no longer have to travel into the city, and they can receive LGBTQ+ care from us in the community where they live."

Key highlights from the report include:

- **36%** of 1,065 total participants earned the designation. "2024 LGBTQ+

Healthcare Equality Leader."

- **Targeted Health Disparities Reduction Plans:** Encouragingly, 71% have an official plan for reducing health disparities that specifically includes LGBTQ+ patients in addition to race, ethnicity, and linguistic concerns.

- **Bias Elimination and Welcoming Interactions:** Just over half (53%) have a policy or policies that specifically outline procedures and practices aimed at eliminating bias and insensitivity, and ensuring appropriate, welcoming interactions with transgender patients.

- **EHR SOGI Data:** Major increases are seen in the number of healthcare facilities collecting sexual orientation and gender identity-related data in their Electronic Health Records systems. Seven of the eight

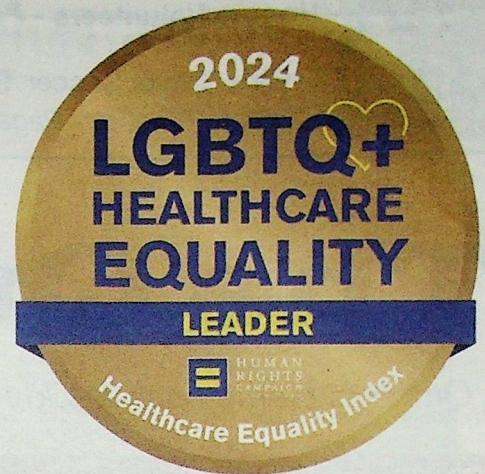
relevant data points had double-digit increases.

- **Pronouns in Electronic Health Records:** The ability to collect and display a patient's pronouns rose from 44% to 74%. This is an important tool to help prevent misgendering a patient.

- **FMLA-Equivalent Benefits:** 38% offer FM-

LA-equivalent benefits that allow employees to take family and medical leave to care for same-sex partners as well as the children of a same-sex partner, regardless of biological or adoptive status – this is up from 34% in 2022.

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QHS Class Of 1964 Reunion Sept. 28

The Quincy High School Class of 1964 will hold its 60th reunion Saturday, Sept. 28 from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Common Market, 97 Willard St., Quincy.

There will be a buffet and a cash bar.

Tickets are \$64 per person. Checks may be made out and sent to: Alfred Preece, 77 Moffet Rd., Quincy, MA 02169. In order to attend, checks must be received by Aug. 1.

Chris & Trudy Peter Blood Drive July 8

The Houghs Neck Community Council will hold its annual Chris and Trudy Peter Blood Drive on Tuesday, July 8th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. Thomas Aquinas Hall, Darrow Street, Quincy.

Contact the American Red Cross to make your donation at 1-800-733-2767.

Contact Eileen Timcoe if you have any questions at etimcoe@yahoo.com or 617-479-4107, 617-481-9153.

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"I am apt to believe that (Independence Day) will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forevermore."

... President John Adams

"Best wishes for a happy and grateful Independence Day celebration!"

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QC Celebrates Graduates Of HiSET, ESOL Programs

Seventeen Quincy residents were among 29 students from across the region awarded certificates marking their successful completion of high school equivalency tests (HiSET) or classes in English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) during a recent ceremony at Quincy College.

Grant funding from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) enables Quincy College to continue to offer HiSET and ESOL classes free of charge on its campuses in Quincy and Plymouth. The curriculum offerings include two higher proficiency levels of ESOL (Low Intermediate and High Intermediate) as well as two High School Equivalency Test (HiSET) levels (Pre-HiSET 5-8 and HiSET 8-12) which create a continuum of services as



ESSODON EPHRAIM GNAKOU of Quincy is among the most recent graduates of the HiSET program at Quincy College. With him are instructors Tessa Murray (left) and Lynn Currier.



HiSET graduate Chrissy Barnes of Holbrook spoke to graduates and their families at the recent ceremony. Courtesy Photos

a foundation for students who may then choose to enter certificate, Associate's or

Bachelor's degree programs at Quincy College.

"Students enrolled in our HiSET and ESOL courses learn in a supportive environment that builds confidence and positions them for future success," said Dr. Richard DeCristofaro, president of Quincy College.

"We take pride in celebrating their accomplishments and in the role we've played in helping them achieve their educational goals."

Eight years after dropping out of high school, Christina Barnes of Holbrook was one of those who earned a HiSET certificate.

Some of her motivation to return to school, she said, came in the form of jealousy: others she knew had progressed to earn college degrees while she still lacked a high school diploma. "I started to realize I could be more than what I thought I could be. I wanted 'better'

so I'd need to get 'better.'" Barnes' success has spurred a personal philosophy that she hopes will inspire others. "Don't ask yourself if you can do it - tell yourself you're going to do it. If you want 'better,' education is the way."

Fire Prevention Monthly: Fireworks

By LT. CODY DANIELS
Quincy Fire Department

With Flag Day having just passed and July 4th this week, The Quincy Fire Department wants to remind residents that fireworks should be handled by licensed professionals with proper training and safety personnel on hand.

More than 19,500 reported fires are started by fireworks annually. Many of the injuries sustained from the mishandling of fireworks are in the form of burns to the extremities such as hands, fingers, and legs. Children between the ages of 10 to 14 have the highest risk for injuries. Sparklers, which can burn up to 1,200 degrees, account for about one quarter of emergency room visits.

During these events, The Quincy Fire Department encourages residents to enjoy the displays presented by the community and spend time with family and friends. Some alternatives that can be used in place of fireworks are glow sticks, silly string, streamers, and noise makers. As always, in the event of an emergency of fire call 911.

Two Residents On Dean's List At Emmanuel College

Two students from Quincy are on the Dean's List for the spring semester at Emmanuel College in Boston.

They are: Su Mon and Mia Hurley.

Hein Htet Zaw Earns Master Of Science

Hein Htet Zaw of Quincy earned a Master of Science in cybersecurity from the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta.

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Moments in time

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

• On July 15, 1838, Ralph Waldo Emerson delivered the Divinity School Address at Harvard Divinity School, which was met with a negative outburst by many Unitarian theologians who considered his ideas radical and an attack on their faith.

• On July 16, 1979, Saddam Hussein became president of Iraq. His 24-year rule was marked by costly and unsuccessful wars with neighboring countries and brutal atrocities against his own people.

• On July 17, 1918, the ocean liner Carpathia, which had rescued the survivors of the doomed Titanic six years earlier, was sunk by three torpedoes from a German U-boat during World War I. Five people died, but the rest were picked up by the HMS Snowdrop.

• On July 18, 2013, the city of Detroit, Michigan, became the largest municipal entity in the United States to declare bankruptcy, with up to \$20 billion in debt. The decision was made by Kevyn Orr, an emergency manager appointed by then-Governor Rick Snyder, and the filing revealed that the city's largest creditors were its pensioners.

• On July 19, 1961, TWA became the first airline to begin showing regularly scheduled in-flight movies with the presentation of "By Love Possessed," starring Lana Turner, to first-class passengers on a flight from New York to Los Angeles.

• On July 20, 2011, basketball player Yao Ming, one of China's most popular athletes, announced his retirement from the NBA. Ming, who stood at over 7 feet tall, played with the Houston Rockets and had broken his foot the previous year. He had also missed a number of games in the last six seasons due to foot and ankle injuries.

• On July 21, 1987, Enzo Ferrari unveiled the Ferrari F40 at the factory in Maranello, Italy, to celebrate four decades of Ferrari production, telling assembled journalists that he had "expressed my wish to the engineers -- build a car to be the best in the world. And now the car is here." At the time, the F40 was the fastest road vehicle ever built, with a top speed of 201 mph.

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Midsummer in the garden brings vibrant and abundant floral display - perfect for making colorful door wreaths, vase arrangements, garnishes for meals and wedding bouquets. Indulge in them every chance you get! Some July-blooming favorites are:

Dahlias	Lady's mantle
Garden roses	Nasturtiums
Cosmos	Rogersias
Sweet peas	Rudbeckias
Shasta daisies	Yarrow
Lilies	Astilbe
Iris	- Brenda Weaver

Sources: bloompost.com, themarthablog.com

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Quincy Patriotic Celebration Concert July 6

Mayor Thomas Koch and the City of Quincy invite the public to a Patriotic Celebration Saturday, July 6 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Hancock-Adams Common, 1305 Hancock St., Quincy.

The celebration will feature an evening of Patriotic and Great American Songbook music.

National award-winning recording artist Michelle Brooks-Thompson will open the event at 4 p.m. singing the national anthem. Her striking voice has captivated audiences at countless major sporting events delivering the national anthem as well as God Bless America including the 2024 NBA Celtics vs. Mavericks Finals Game 1.

The Colonial Navy of Massachusetts Fife and Drum Corps will perform from 4 to 4:30 p.m.

Quincy's own Center Stage Performing Arts Studio will take the stage with a dance performance from 4:35 to 4:45 p.m.

p.m.

Boston's Premier Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and the Rat Pack Cover Band, A Swingin' Affair, starring Donnie Norton, will perform from 4:45 to 6:30 p.m.

Then, direct from Broadway, singers Michelle Dowdy, Amy Hillner Larsen and Jordan Wolfe will perform from 7 to 7:45 p.m.

The Middlesex County Volunteers Fifes & Drums, a repertory ensemble performing martial, dance, and folk music drawn from 17th, 18th, and early 19th century sources in America and Europe as well as contemporary compositions, will take the stage to close out the evening.

Seating will be available or bring your lawn chairs. Food is available for purchase at one of the downtown restaurants nearby.

For more information on this and upcoming events, follow the City of Quincy across social media.

Friends Of Wollaston Beach Scheduled Events

By MAUREEN MAZIRMAS

Friends Of Wollaston Beach

With the help of our community partners and volunteers, the 2024 season is off to a great start! FWB held two organized cleanups that attracted over 110 volunteers - an amazing accomplishment considering that the ParkServe cleanup was held during a torrential downpour!

We love our beach and it's clear you do too! We have lots of activities for kids of all ages and look forward to seeing you there!

FWB has planned a full calendar of events for beach goers from toddlers on up!

Story Hour at the Tot Lot - Two Sessions - Monday, July 8 at 10 a.m. and Monday, Aug. 12 at 10 a.m. - geared toward kids 2 to 6!

QATV "Currently in Quincy" July 15 - 11:30 a.m. - FWB will appear with Joe Catalano to discuss the upcoming Kite Krusaders Kiting Karavan and all planned FWB programs.

The Kite Krusaders Kiting Karavan & Expo - Saturday - July 27 - 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Climate Cart - The Stone Living Lab's Climate Cart will be at both the Kite Festival and Kids' Fest. Learn about Boston's climate and how global warming is affecting our communities. Explore how erosion affects the coast, design a resilient city, learn about local marine species, and more.

Community Climate Workshop - Monday, Aug. 5 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. - Wollaston Yacht Club (WYC), 692 Quincy Shore Dr., Quincy. FWB is partnering with Save the Harbor/Save the Bay (SH/SB) for this workshop, which will focus on how climate change will impact our region's public

beaches.

Kids' Fest - Sunday, Aug. 11 from 1 to 4 p.m. on Wollaston Beach between Beach Street and the Bath House.

Yoga on the Beach - Saturday, July 20 and Saturday, Aug. 24 - 8 to 9 a.m. - Wollaston Beach - Quincy Shore Drive near Arnold Street.

Coastsweep - Saturday, Sept. 21 - 10 a.m. to noon. Meet at the parking area across from the Bath House on Quincy Shore Drive.

Please see friendsofwollaston.com for more information on these events.

Special Thanks to Save the Harbor/Save the Bay and the Better Beaches Program for helping to fund and promote these events.

As we approach our 18th season of "promoting public use of Wollaston Beach, preserving and protecting the fragile ecosystems, and addressing the quality of life issues relating to the Beach," we could use your input. Please SHARE your thoughts by completing our Survey:

<https://forms.gle/hVFb1njWDDzLRPXz8>.

Looking forward to another great season on the Beach! See you there!

The Friends of Wollaston Beach is an organization promoting public use of Wollaston Beach, preserving and protecting the fragile ecosystems, and addressing the quality of life issues relating to the Beach. The goal of the Association is to promote the wise use and preservation of the Beach, encouraging volunteerism, alerting others to issues affecting the Beach through educational, cultural, social and civic programs, and advocating on behalf of Beach users.

Manet Community Health Earns 'LGBTQ+ Healthcare Equality Leader' Designation

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• Comprehensive Benefits for Domestic Partners:

41% provide medical and comprehensive health benefits to domestic partners of benefits-eligible employees up from 34% in 2022. This is the first increase in this measure since the 2015 Obergefell decision on same-sex marriage.

• **Community Engagement and Support:** 92% took part in or supported one or more LGBTQ+ re-

lated events or initiatives in their service area.

This year's HEI comes as LGBTQ+ adults are twice as likely as non-LGBTQ+ adults to be "treated unfairly or with disrespect by a doctor or healthcare provider" in the last three years, according to the Kaiser Family Foundation. The impact of anti-LGBTQ+ legislation combined with a history of discrimination in healthcare settings has the potential to cause even more LGBTQ+

people to delay or avoid seeking healthcare, which makes the HEI even more salient for those looking to find LGBTQ+-inclusive care.

The Human Rights Campaign Foundation is the educational arm of the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), America's largest civil rights organization working to achieve equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ+) people. Through its programs, the HRC Foundation seeks to make transformational change in the everyday lives of LGBTQ+ people, shedding light on inequity and deepening the public's understanding of LGBTQ+ issues, with a clear focus on advancing transgender and

racial justice. Its work has transformed the landscape for more than 15 million workers, 11 million students, 1 million clients in the adoption and foster care system and so much more. The HRC Foundation provides direct consultation and technical assistance to institutions and communities, driving the advancement of inclusive policies and practices; it builds the capacity of future leaders and allies through fellowship and training programs; and, with the firm belief that we are stronger working together, it forges partnerships with advocates in the U.S. and around the globe to increase its impact and shape the future of its work.

Two Quincy Students On RIT Dean's List

Two students from Quincy have been named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Rochester Institute of Technology in Rochester, N.Y.

They are: Uyen Nhi Quang, who is in the computer engineering program; and Nick Brink, who is in the cybersecurity program.

Erin Maniscalco On Plymouth State Dean's List

Erin Maniscalco of Quincy has been named to the Plymouth State University President's List for the

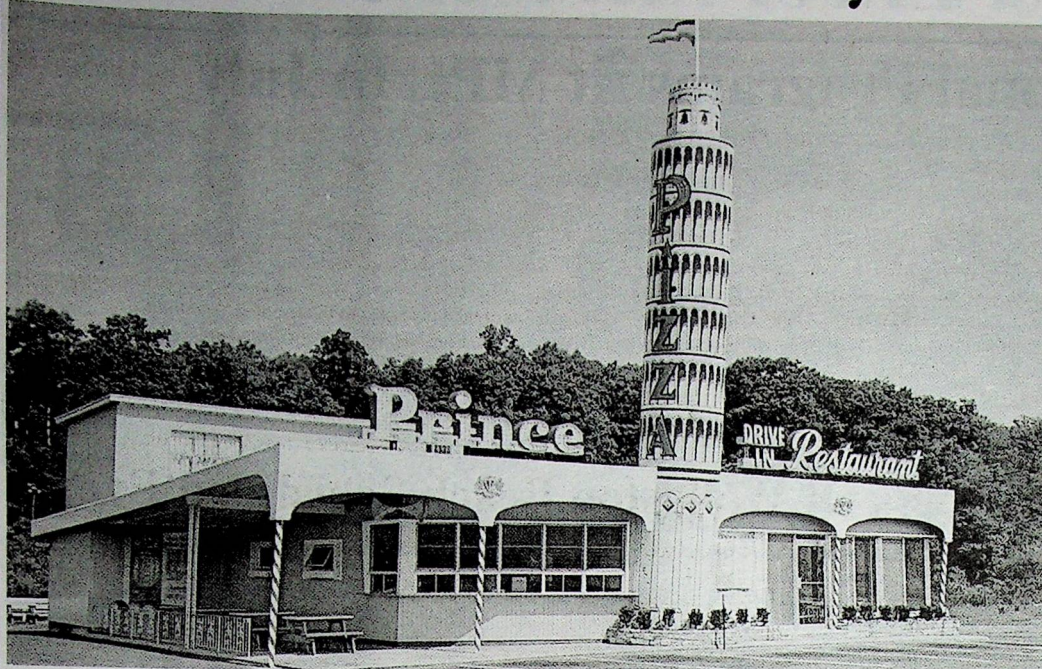
spring semester. Maniscalco is a psychology major at Plymouth State.

Three Quincy Residents Graduate U. Of Rhode Island

Three Quincy students recently graduate from the University of Rhode Island in Kingston, R.I.

The graduates are: Devin Campbell, Molly Cronin and Yarisbel Melo Herrera.

Scenes From Yesterday



THIS IS A 1950s postcard published for the Prince Macaroni Company of Lowell showing their drive-in restaurant on the Southern Artery. They built similar leaning tower buildings in Somerville, Wareham, South Yarmouth and Saugus. This Quincy building, which was

next to 7E's, later became the Leaning Tower of Pizza. Demolished in the 1980s, today the site is part of the Super Stop and Shop on the Artery.

From the Tom Galvin Postcard Collection

Quincy's Yesterdays

This Week
1985
39 Years Ago

Shipyard's Future To Be Decided Soon

Mayor Francis McCauley said he is willing to go to St. Louis to talk with the management of General Dynamics following the loss of two major Navy contracts by the Quincy shipyard.

Local officials were making efforts to keep the 101-year-old yard from closing when it finishes work next spring on its last remaining ship, a contract previously awarded by the Navy.

The Navy recently awarded a fleet oiler contract to Avondale Shipyard, New Orleans. Bethlehem Steel at Sparrows Point, Maryland, received a contract for a survey ship.

The Quincy shipyard will not have any major Navy ship work to bid on until 1987.

Either of the contracts would have provided jobs for about 2,000 workers at the Quincy shipyard which now has about 4,467 workers employed.

"Obviously, we're very disappointed," McCauley said, noting he planned to meet shortly with the Quincy shipyard management.

"First, we'll have to see if anything is coming down the pike as far as shipbuilding contracts. If there isn't, we'll extend as much effort as we can to see if General Dynamics will seriously consider alternatives."

NICASTRO RESIGNS AS CITY SOLICITOR

Mayor Francis McCauley accepted the resignation of Atty. Dean P. Nicastro as city solicitor of Quincy effective Aug. 5.

Nicastro is leaving to accept the position of associate staff counsel with the Massachusetts Medical Society, the 12,500-member professional association of Massachusetts physicians headquartered in Waltham. He will handle general corporate legal matters for the organization.

McCauley, who accepted the solicitor's resignation with regret, praised Nicastro for "his dedicated and unselfish service to the citizens of Quincy as city solicitor and previously as assistant city solicitor during my administration. (Editor's note: McCauley appointed Joseph (Jay) MacRitchie of Squantum, assistant city solicitor since 1983, to succeed Nicastro as city solicitor.)"

QUINCYISMS

Stacie Minukas, age 10, was awarded a first place ribbon after winning the 25-yard dash in a pre-Fourth of July Family Day at Squaw Rock Park sponsored by the Squantum Fourth of July Committee. . . Neil B. Connors of Quincy graduated with an Associate in Science degree in horticulture from Massachusetts Bay Community College. . . AAA survey showed a gallon of regular leaded gasoline was \$1.173, up 3.1 cents; and regular unleaded gasoline at \$1.275, up 5.2 cents over last year. . . Elizabeth F. Skoler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Skoler of Miles Drive, Quincy, graduated from Wesleyan College and received the Davenport Prize in government and was named to Phi Beta Kappa. . . Mary Lou Glaman, kindergarten teacher at Snug Harbor School for 31 years, was honored on the occasion of her retirement. . . Four Quincy residents completed a basic fundamentals of real estate course given by the Conway County School of Real Estate, Inc. They are: Susan Moore, Thomas Pelton, Donna Gardiner and Roger Sewall. . . Loriana M. Marini and Peter J. Olivieri of Quincy Point Middle School and Patricia E. Stewart and Kipp W. Caldwell of Central Middle School were the recipients of the American Legion School Awards presented by the Quincy Legion Post. Winners were chosen because of their qualities of courage, honor, leadership, patriotism, scholarship and service. . . Henry P. Bradley was elected commander of the Morrisette American Legion Post, West Quincy, for 1985-86. . . Monica Jaramillo of Quincy was on the Dean's List at Massachusetts Bay Community College. . . Rep. Thomas F. Brownell (D-Quincy) received the Massachusetts Bar Association's "Legislator of the Year" award. . . Richard Palma, a 1982 graduate of North Quincy High School, was elected co-captain of next season's Northeastern University track team. North Quincy High School's Calculus Team placed third in New England and nationally was ranked 14th of 200 teams competing in 35 states. Team top scorers were Elizabeth Silkwood, Diane Callow and Evelyn Perepelyuk. . . "Beverly Hills Cop" starring Eddie Murphy was held over a second week at the Wollaston Theater, 14 Beale St. Admission \$1.75 (20 and over \$1.50) - Monday and Tuesday Dollar Night. . . Three Quincy bank officials were elected new officers of the Southeastern Chapter of the New England Safe Deposit Association. Elected to the executive board were Veva Darrow and Jeannine Demers of Quincy Cooperative Bank; and Ralph A. Pearson, Jr., of Bank of New England-Hancock. . . Tanorama, 291 Quincy Ave., offered a summer special of \$99 with unlimited single visits during July and August.

Koch Defends \$285,000 Salary

By SCOTT JACKSON

Mayor Thomas Koch defended his new salary of \$285,000, pointing to responsibilities he has as the mayor of Quincy and the work he has done during his time in office.

In May, Koch introduced separate ordinances to raise his salary from \$150,900 to \$285,000 and to raise the salary of each of the nine city councillors from \$29,800 to \$47,500, both effective on Jan. 1. City councillors on June 17 approved the new mayoral salary as proposed and \$44,500 sala-

ries for themselves, cutting \$3,000 from Koch's proposal.

The proposed raises were met by protests by some residents opposed to them. About two dozen residents rallied outside City Hall on May 29 and many of those same residents and others attended a pair of City Council meetings in June carrying signs urging the councillors to reject the raises.

In an interview this past week inside his City Hall office, Koch defended the raise he would be receiving

as well as the raise for the city councillors.

"First of all, the only person who can bring a raise in for the mayor is the mayor, so it's awkward to begin with - very awkward. As I've said from day one, this city is thriving. It's not by accident. We're working very hard, we've got a great team. I've had one raise in 17 years. We brought an outside company in, the number we chose was below the range that was created by the outside company. I'm comfortable with the number," Koch said.

"I've always found it interesting when you look at chiefs of police and fire, superintendents, city managers, town managers, nobody blinks an eye about salaries but when it comes to the elected position, everybody gets all worked up about it. I'm not so sure why and I don't know that the public understands the enormity of this position. It's a chief executive role. People see me in the paper at events. That's all well and good. Those are fun things. But there's several thousand city employ-

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READERS FORUM

Petition Aims To Repeal Salary Ordinances

Dear Sir,

"Democracy dies in darkness" wrote Bob Woodward in 2017. Nor is it very safe under the bright lights of the Quincy City Council Chamber. I am your witness. I attended the many City Council meetings in May and June when the pay raises for Mayor Koch and the councillors were introduced and "debated" in both the Finance sub-committee as well as the whole Council.

Please note: The Council members had no intention of receiving the petitions of Quincy's citizens. There were no public forums prior to the many Council meetings for residents to speak and have their opinions included in the record of the proceedings. Council members referred to emails that they had received (both pro and con?) but read none into the Council's permanent Record.

On June 3rd, prior to the Council meeting, there was some discussion with the police whether citizens could bring their signs into the Council Chamber. Ultimately, permission was granted with strict rules that large signs could not be held aloft. Later, the frustrated citizens began to grumble when Councillor McCarthy made spurious defenses of the mayor's pay raise. He scolded us saying that "We're not going to have any talking out of the audience." Ooh - what a giveaway! The people were clearly an inconvenience to himself and the Council. Had we been less polite, was Councillor McCarthy ready to call the Sergeant at Arms (aka QPD) to remove us from the Chamber?

Finally, the QCC meeting agendas posted on the city's website were useless for the hoi polloi. Those documents, as posted, may be factually correct but were not the working

documents that the councillors used throughout the Council meetings. Literally, councillors had a different agenda. (Sun readers: do a simple Google search for yourselves. Do you find a document with the city's complicated letterhead, the clerk's signature and her official date stamp?) If YES I salute you!

On June 17th, this difference was vitally important and a handicap for those citizens who could not follow the specific votes being taken by the Council. Several councillors took turns "to object to the reading" (I paraphrase) of the texts of the ordinances to be voted upon. We, the citizens, were confused by this cynical misdirection. Without the working agenda, we lost track of the proceedings. Might this explain why freshman Councillor Dan Minton voted in favor of an ordinance that he'd opposed in a prior Council meeting? Councillor, we do feel your pain.

Following such collective dissimulation, I predict that there will be no Profiles in Courage Awards conferred upon the members of the current Quincy City Council.

To my fellow Sun readers, chin up! Democracy in Quincy, MA is not dead yet. While our elected officials have let us down, there are many folks who are attempting to repeal both ordinances to increase the pay raises for our mayor and city councillors. A legally binding petition drive is underway. A Just Quincy needs to gather "wet" signatures from 12% of registered voters or 8,000 prior to July 8th. Check out their website ajustquincy.com and find the locations to come & sign the petitions. We can DO this! - Thank you,

Claire Fitzmaurice
Merrymount

Arts & Entertainment

Fun, Educational Programs At MPL In July

By JEAN HLADY
Milton Public Library

During the month of July, the Milton Public Library has some fun and educational programs happening for adults.

On Tuesday, July 9, at 7 p.m., there will be another Adult Yoga class with Sheila Armstrong. In this free program, come and join us for this free program which is a one-hour fluid yoga experience in our Keys Community Room. We will practice asanas (yoga poses) and breathing techniques to come into the present moment, and create more space in our minds and bodies. Space is limited so please sign up in advance at <https://tinyurl.com/n2f3btdz>.

On Monday, July 15, from noon to 1 p.m., please join "Booked for Lunch" which is our newest book club with Assistant Director Sara Truog, to be held in the Conference Room. This is a silent book club: a half hour of socializing and eating lunch together, and a half hour of silent reading time. We'll talk about what books we're reading and share our top picks (and maybe the duds too). Participants should bring a bag lunch and a book to read.

This program is for adults only, and registration is required. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/y4e3vpzx>.

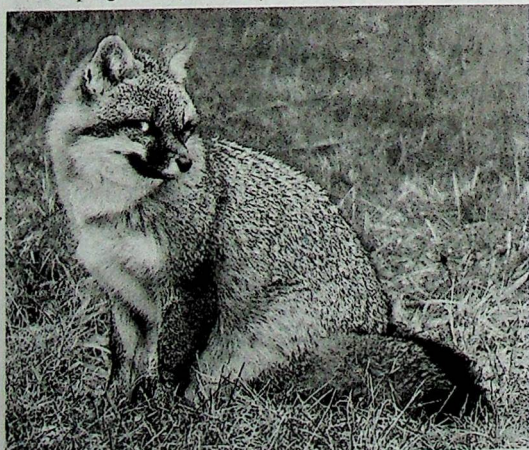
The Milton Public Library will host a fun cooking demo with beloved chef Connie Spiros on Tuesday, July 16 starting at 7 p.m. It is called: "Cooking the Flavors of Summer!" Join this home chef and host Jean Hlady for a virtual cooking demonstration and pick up new and simple ideas for your summer entertaining menus. Advance registration is required to receive the zoom link, so go here to register: <https://tinyurl.com/y76zwbhe> or go to the Milton Public Library website which is www.miltonlibrary.org and click on "events" from the main page to find the program. This event is kindly sponsored by the Friends of the Milton Public Library and is free and open to all. Questions? Email jhlady@milton.ocln.org or call the Reference Dept. at (617) 898-4964. We hope you might join us!"

The Monthly Wednesday Movie for Adults will happen on July 17, starting at 6:15 p.m. and the film to be screened is: "A Haunting in Venice." It stars Kenneth Branagh, Kyle Allen, Camille Cotton, Jamie Dorman, Tina Fey and more great actors. Inspired by the novel Halloween Party and directed by Branagh in 2023, this film is set in eerie, post-World War II Venice on All Hallows Eve, and is a terrifying mystery featuring the return of the celebrated sleuth, Hercule Poirot. Now retired and living in self-imposed exile in the world's most glamorous city, Poirot reluctantly attends a séance at a decaying, haunted palazzo. When one of the guests is murdered, the detective is thrust into a sinister world of shadows and secrets.

Please join us! The movie is rated PG-13 for some strong violence, disturbing images and thematic elements, so it is not appropriate for young children. The running time is 1 hour, 43 minutes. No signup is required so just come and enjoy a couple of hours in our cool, relaxing Keys Community Room.

There will be a virtual talk called "All About Foxes" with Naturalist Bob Michelson, who will be back on Tuesday, July 23, at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Bob will share with us everything he knows about foxes found in New England - and elsewhere around the U.S. - in this interesting presentation. Follow this wildlife photographer as he documents the complete life histories of the foxes from our area, including the Red Fox and the Gray Fox. He also looks at each animal's historic and current ranges for each Fox species, as well as what we can do to co-exist with these beautiful predators.

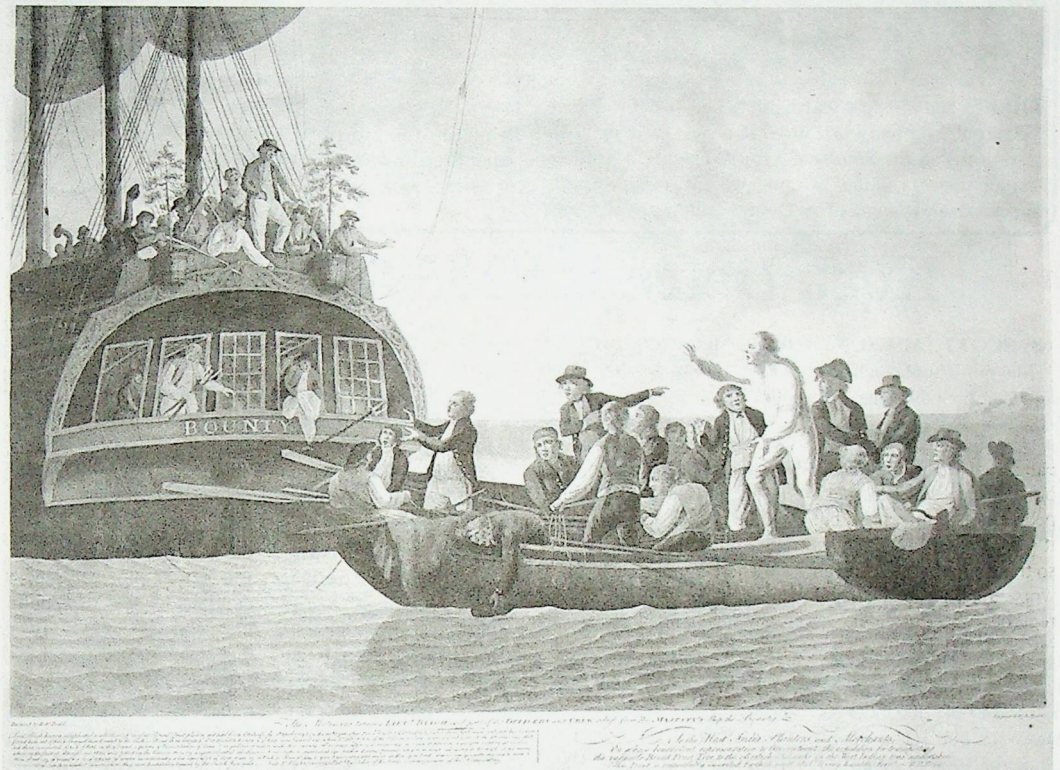
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HISTORIAN BOB BEGIN returns to the Milton Public Library on Tuesday, July 30, at 7 p.m. to give a fun talk about Captain Bligh and "Mutiny on the Bounty" in the Keys Community Room. Images Courtesy Milton Public Library

zoom code. Sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/y8f4mea4>.

And last but not least, historian Bob Begin will return on Tuesday, July 30, at 7 p.m. in our Keys Community Room to give a fun talk about Captain Bligh and "Mutiny on the Bounty." The status and growth of the British Empire was a result of her Royal Navy, the most powerful in the world during the 1700s. In 1787, William Bligh is appointed commander of a voyage to the South Seas. His vessel, HMS Bounty, is not a famous warship but should be adequate for a mission to Tahiti to gather samples of breadfruit plants, which were thought to be a quick-growing source of food.

The Bounty was modified to meet all of the needs of safety and transport of the plants. Their safe arrival from Tahiti was paramount. The Bounty left England in December 1787. She would arrive in Tahiti in October after a jour-

ney of 28,000 miles. She was welcomed by the natives of this exotic, scenic land. Following a stay of 23 weeks, on April 5th, she set sail for England with over 1,000 breadfruit plants on board. Four weeks later, a mutiny took place. Her Captain and 18 men loyal to him were placed in a 23 foot open launch. The Bounty, under control of Fletcher Christain, would sail for Tahiti. What happened to the men in the open boat, what happened to the mutineers, and what was the reaction of the Royal Navy? The answers will be based on Bligh's Log and Royal Navy records. No advance registration is required to attend and we hope you might join us.

All of these programs are sponsored by the Friends of the Milton Public Library and are free and open to the public. Questions? Email jhlady@milton.ocln.org or call the Reference Dept. at (617) 898-4964.

Veteran's Music Festival At Pageant Field July 13

Veteran's Music Festival, VA Benefits & Career Expo will be held Saturday, July 13 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Pageant Field, 1 Merry-mount Parkway, Quincy.

The public is invited to this celebration dedicated to veterans, first responders and their families. The event will feature music, complimentary food and beverages, health screenings, guest speakers, and a wide range of activities. Professionals from The Michael J. Fox Foundation, Parkinson's

Foundation, Mass General Hospital, Boston Scientific, St Elizabeth Hospital, and 110 Fitness will all be resources at the event.

New this year is The Wall That Heals mobile education center, a veterans Arthur corner, and a free cup of Marylou's coffee. The U.S. Navy Seals Precision Parachute team will do a drop in.

This Event is presented by Veterans Voice Network, WATD 95.9, WMEX 1510, TIC Network, Wreaths Across America, the City of

Quincy, the Town of Braintree, and VA Boston Healthcare System, with support from Marylou's Coffee, Sullivan Tire, Quincy College, Our Heroes, 110 Fitness, the Norfolk County Sheriff's Office, and the American Red Cross.

Veterans Voice Network is a radio show and website that provides resources and support for veterans and their families after service. The show covers topics such as educational paths, GI Bill

and Yellow Ribbon benefits, Military transfer credits, Benefit applications, Housing, Mental health. Hosted by Gregg Brasso the show also shares veterans' stories and connects them with people who want to help them.

The show and website offer practical advice and can help veterans feel less isolated.

For more information or sponsorship opportunities, call 781-985-1551 or email greggbrasso@aol.com.



Review: 'The Bikeriders'

By BOB GARVER

Watching "The Bikeriders," the word "inauthentic" kept driving through my mind. For example, I wasn't buying pretty-boy Austin Butler as a tough biker. There is a planet where Butler can come off as intimidating and that planet is called Arrakis. Here on Earth, he looks like a clean-cut actor making a calculated decision to take on a grungy role to make people notice his range, but it's backfiring because it is so transparent. And it's even worse for the actors that I regarded as tough guys going into this movie. Based on other performances they've turned in, Michael Shannon, Damon Herriman, and Boyd Holbrook all seem like good choices for a rough-and-tumble biker pic. But here they're buried under so much bad makeup and unconvincing acting choices that it will actually be harder for me to take them seriously the next time they try to look dangerous in a good movie.

The movie follows a Chicago biker gang called The Vandals from the mid-60's to the early 70's. The main character is actually Kathy (Jodie Comer), the wife of longstanding member Benny (Butler), who is relaying stories about the gang to a reporter (the ever-frail-looking Mike Faist, fortunately not cast as a biker). Comer is a British actress doing a Midwestern accent that I think impressed friends in acting workshops with how different it was from her natural voice. I have no doubt that the accent took effort and caused strain and discomfort and I hate to say it was all in vain, but I'm sorry, it just comes off like she's seen " Fargo " too many times.

Speaking of laughable accents, Tom Hardy is in this movie as Johnny, the gang's leader. His Chicago accent wasn't too distracting at first, and it even looked

for a while like he might get out of this movie with some dignity intact. But then I remembered that this was the same voice he used for Al Capone in that awful direct-to-VOD biopic back in 2020 that I only reviewed because it was gaining notoriety for being terrible. I think he leans more heavily into the accent as the character gets older, either that or I was unconsciously very forgiving in his early scenes because by the end the accent is grating.

There's not much of a through-line to the narrative, just stories about the gang being tough. When some bar patrons injure Benny, Johnny and the gang burn down the bar and treat getting revenge on the perpetrators as an afterthought. Benny and Kathy struggle with his decision to stay in the gang, with Benny heavily implying that he'll choose the gang over her if she makes him choose. The movie goes out of its way to establish an aspiring gang member (Toby Wallace) as a character without ever really tying him to The Vandals, a surefire sign that his role here is to kill somebody important.

I can't say that I went into "The Bikeriders" as a fan of biker culture. I can say that after seeing the movie, I'm even less of a fan. The unintentional message of the movie is that bikers are either every bit the stereotypical lowlifes they're made out to be, or they think they're above the lowlife stereotype, except they're not. Real-life bikers that aren't lowlifes should be unhappy with this movie, both because it's a negative depiction of their lifestyle and because the ones doing the depicting are bad at their jobs.

Grade: D
"The Bikeriders" is rated R for language throughout, violence, some drug use and brief sexuality. Its running time is 116 minutes.



RON AND PRISCILLA (Padula) Ivil of Weymouth, formerly of Quincy, are celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary. They were married May 16, 1959. Photo at right was taken on their wedding day. The couple has been together for 72 years.

Courtesy Photos

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been together for 72 years.

Ron and Priscilla began dating in 1952. On May 16, 1959, they married twice in the same day. First with the Justice of the Peace, then that evening at St. John's

Church in Quincy. Standing beside them were Best Man and Matron of Honor, Abe and Chickie Abdallah.

The Ivils are blessed with three children: Ron and his wife Jean; Cheryl and her

husband Bill Jalbert, and JoAnne and her husband Skip Remington. They have eight wonderful grandchildren: Ronie, Joe, Jimmy, Jon, Billy, Anthony, Nick and Aria.



25 Quincy Girl Scouts Sell More Than 500 Packages Of Cookies

Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts (GSEMA) announces 25 Girl Scouts from Quincy have sold more than 500 packages of cookies during the 2023-2024 Cookie Program.

The Girl Scout Cookie Program is the world's largest entrepreneurial program for Girl Scouts. As a result, Girl Scouts obtain limitless barrier-breaking futures outside the box with transferable life skills. Girl Scouts can earn a variety of badges and awards to develop valuable business skills including Cookie Business badges, Financial Literacy badges, Cookie Entrepreneur Family pins and Entrepreneur badges.

During the 2023-2024 Cookie Program, 1,943,922 packages were sold by Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts and 564 Girl Scouts were a part of the '500 Club.' The following Girl Scouts from Quincy sold over 500 packages of cookies:

Makayla Joyce, a member of Troop 62257, sold 1,070 boxes.
Olivia Ballestas, Troop 62257, 655 boxes this year.
Haja-Serah Sesay, Troop 62460, 500 boxes this year.
Emmalyn Torres, Troop 67855, 1,154 boxes this year.

Gianna Quintos, Troop 67855, 1,051 boxes this year.
Zoe Giza, Troop 67855, 553 boxes this year.

Olivia Tinlin, Troop 67855, 845 boxes this year.
Hannah Spratt, Troop 68282, 518 boxes this year.
Madelyn Yang, Troop 68282, 1,327 boxes this year.

Sudiatu Sesay, Troop 70727, 797 boxes this year.
Emma Labbe, Troop 70727, 592 boxes this year.
Harlow Creedon, Troop 70778, 1,043 boxes this year.
Lillian Belo, Troop 70778, 787 boxes this year.

Audrey Simons, Troop 70778, 500 boxes this year.

Bella Gorman, Troop 70778, 2,060 boxes this year.

Dolores Quintos, Troop 70782, 1,085 boxes this year.

Alexandra Camargo, Troop 70782, 750 boxes this year.

Ella Cruz, of Quincy, Troop 77437, 600 boxes this year.

Clara Chan, Troop 77437, 596 boxes this year.
Annalise Torres, Troop 77437, 620 boxes this year.

Addelyn Fay, Troop 77437, 2,426 boxes this year.

Sigrid Bateman, Troop 77437, 818 boxes this year.

Shirley Travers, Troop 77437, 506 boxes this year.

Aria Chella, Troop 83328, 502 boxes this year.

Victoria Gibbons, Troop 84500, 630 boxes this year.

For more information on Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts, visit their website, www.gsema.org, or follow their social media channels, Instagram, Facebook, and LinkedIn, for the latest updates on the organization.

Siobhan O'Sullivan Earns Bucknell University Degree

Siobhan O'Sullivan of Quincy recently graduated from Bucknell University in Lewisburg, PA.

O'Sullivan earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Russian.



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WHAT'S COOKING

with
Marie & Suzie

By MARIE D'OLIMPIO and SUZIE FALCO



Scones With Raisins

By MARIE

This recipe for Scones with Raisins is from back in the day and one that my brother, John, made many years ago. It is very delicious.

John used anise flavoring, but you can use vanilla, lemon, almond or any flavoring that you like! The choice is yours.

**Pre-heat oven to 375 degrees.
Grease a cookie sheet**

**½ cup granulated sugar
2 cups of flour
½ teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon baking powder
½ teaspoon baking soda
1 tablespoon cream of tartar
¼ cup butter**

**¾ cup of raisins
1 egg
½ cup of milk
2 teaspoons of anise or vanilla flavoring**

Beat the egg and milk together and set aside.

In a bowl, mix all of the dry ingredients and cut in the butter.

Then to the dry ingredients, add the egg, milk and anise (or vanilla) and stir until well blended.

Then add in the raisins and mix well.

Drop by large tablespoonfuls onto the prepared cookie sheet.

Bake at 375 degrees for about 20 minutes.

Cool on a wire rack.

Red, White & Blue Potato Salad

By SUZIE

How about some red, white, and blue potato salad?

Blue/purple hued potatoes look quite "exotic" for sure, but taste pretty much like regular potatoes. These colorful potatoes pack a big nutritional punch by providing carotenoids, and antioxidants like "anthocyanin" that is also found in berries and pomegranates.

This potato is also very resistant to disease and are also able to withstand harsh conditions, which makes it a good environmental choice as well.

Here is a delicious and simple potato salad recipe. Enjoy!

**2 pounds baby potatoes, a mix of white and blue (or purple)
1/4 cup lemon juice**

**4 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
1/2-1 tsp Sea salt (I love Redmonds Real Salt)**

**Freshly ground pepper to taste
3/4 cup chopped roasted red peppers, rinsed**

**5 scallions, thinly sliced
1 large clove of garlic, minced
1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley**

1. Place potatoes in a large saucepan or Dutch oven and cover with salted water. Bring to a boil and cook until tender, about 15 minutes. Drain and rinse with cold water. Transfer to a cutting board. Let cool for 20 minutes.

2. Whisk lemon juice, oil, salt and pepper and garlic in a large bowl. Cut the potatoes in half, add to the bowl and toss to coat.

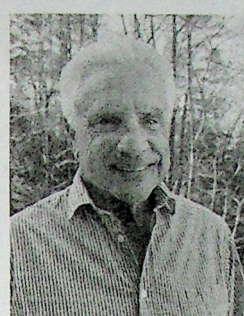
3. Just before serving, add peppers, scallions and parsley to the salad and toss gently.

Quincy Native Louis Trubiano Releases Debut Novel

Quincy native Louis Trubiano recently released his debut novel, "What Once Was Promised", a work of historical fiction that follows the trials and triumphs of an Italian immigrant family in early 20th century Boston.

"What Once Was Promised" is a 257-page novel that tells the story of a multigenerational Italian family as they navigate the turmoil and quickly changing landscape of Boston. Following three young Italian immigrants and one American-born Italian, the novel traces their diverging paths from settling in Boston's North End neighborhood through the conflicts and decisions that pull them apart, all the way to the pressing mystery (and score to settle) that brings them back together.

Spanning 50 years of Boston history, the story pits its characters against rival factions and a hostile environment of discrimination. They face the fledgling Boston Mafia, corrupt police, Italian anarchists, and beyond as they each find their place in the world. This backdrop of early 1900s Boston affects each of their lives in different ways, from the Molasses Flood of 1919 to the Sacco and Vanzetti execution in 1927, and roots the events of the novel in a historical context that adds depth and palpable realism to the narrative. As Kirkus Reviews notes, "the city of Boston is as much a character as the human characters."



LOUIS TRUBIANO

ters."

Inspired by his own family history, Trubiano incorporates real-world details into the lives of his characters as well. The main character, Domenic, emigrates to America from the same small town, at the same age, aboard the same ship as the author's maternal grandfather, and his experiences help inform the tone of the novel throughout.

Deftly balancing accurate history and fictionalized family drama, Trubiano paints a compelling portrait of Boston from the perspective of Italian immigrants, weaving a plot of love, violence, and mystery that is sure to keep pages turning.

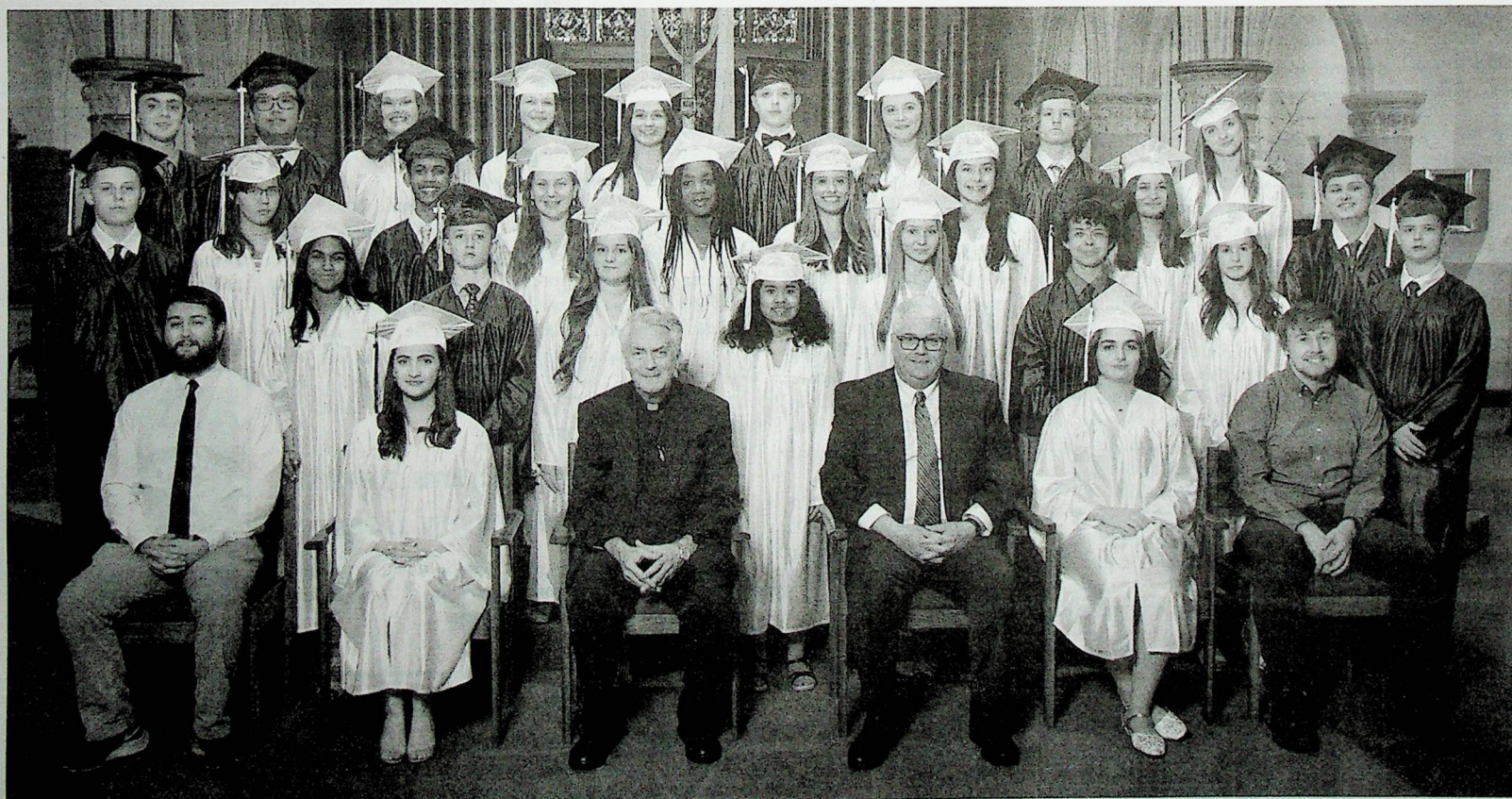
Louis Trubiano was born and raised in Quincy. His family history and experience growing up as a second-generation Italian American in a predominantly Italian neighborhood in Quincy helped to inspire and inform "What Once Was Promised." He attended North Quincy High School and is a proud member of the NQHS Football

Hall of Fame.

He went on to earn a Bachelor's Degree in English from the University of Rochester and a Master's Degree from Boston University's College of Communication. Lou spent over 40 years in the advertising industry in the Boston area, most of it as president of his own firm. He served as chairman of the Board of the South Shore Chamber of Commerce and as chairman of the Board of Randolph Savings/Envision Bank from 2015-2018. He helped found and served as the first Chairman of the Envision Bank Foundation (now the Abington Bank Community Foundation).

Lou is a member of the Torre Dei Passeri Club in Quincy, which is referenced in his novel and which his grandfather helped co-found. In 2016, the corner of Lancaster Street and Fowler Street in Quincy was dedicated to his father and four uncles in recognition for their service in World War II. He and his wife, also a Quincy native and NQHS alumni, live in Canton and have three daughters, six grandchildren, and one spoiled dog.

"What Once Was Promised" (ISBN: 9781963844047 / 9781963844252), which has received a prestigious "Get it" rating from Kirkus Reviews, can be purchased through retailers worldwide, including Barnes and Noble and Amazon. Learn more at <https://louistrubiano.com>.



ELEVEN STUDENTS from Quincy are among the 28 students who recently graduated from Grade 8 at Saint Agatha School in Milton. The Quincy students and the high schools they will be enrolling in this fall are: Grace Cross (Archbishop Williams); Sophie Greenwood (Archbishop Williams); Colleen Keil (Ursuline Academy); Evelyn Kelly (Archbishop Williams); Claire Kerins (Archbishop Williams); Veronica Mulvey (Archbishop Williams); Anna Noonan (Archbishop Williams); Tyler Rogers (Archbishop Williams); Wyatt Rogers (Archbishop Williams); Emily Ryan (Archbishop Williams); and Max Silaj (Boston College High). Shown here is the entire Grade 8 2024 graduating class at Saint Agatha School. For more information about Saint Agatha School and its programs, visit www.stagatha.org. Alumni and those interested in getting involved in the school community can contact Nancy Weiler, Director of Advancement, at nweiler@stagathaparish.org. For admissions inquiries, contact Renalyn Te, Director of Enrollment and Tuition, at renalyn.te@stagathaparish.org. Courtesy Photo

Social Security Matters Ask Rusty – Grieving Husband Asks About His Survivor Benefits

By **RUSSELL GLOOR**

National Social Security Advisor
at the AMAC Foundation, The Non-Profit Arm
of the Association of Mature American Citizens

Dear Rusty: My wife died May 4, 2024. I notified Social Security, and they have removed the direct deposit made to my joint checking account on May 8, 2024. What are my options now for obtaining any benefits from my wife's Social Security account? **Signed: Grieving Husband**

Dear Grieving Husband: Please accept our sincere condolences for the loss of your wife. Rest assured that we're here to assist with any Social Security questions you may have at this difficult time.

FYI, a person must live the entire month to be eligible for SS benefits for that month (Social Security benefits aren't paid for the month a person dies). For this reason, and as a matter of standard protocol, Social Security instructed the bank to return any payments received for your wife after her death. This is often referred to as the "claw back" rule.

In some circumstances, however, Social Security "claws back" money which rightfully belongs to the deceased, as they did in this case. Your wife's Social Security payment received on May 8th was her payment for the month of April, and she was fully entitled to that payment because she lived for the entire month of April. I suggest that you download, fill out, and submit Form SSA-1724 to your local Social Security office to recover that May 8th payment, which rightfully belongs to your wife's estate. Note that the bank will automatically return any future SS payments received for your wife.

As your wife's surviving spouse, you are also entitled to a one-time lump sum "death benefit" of \$255, which you can request by calling your local SS field office (get the number at www.ssa.gov/locator), or by calling 1-800-772-1213. During that call you can also explore whether you are entitled to any additional SS benefit as a surviving spouse.

If your wife's monthly SS retirement benefit was more than your current monthly SS benefit, you will be entitled to receive her higher monthly amount instead of your own smaller amount (FYI, if you haven't yet reached your own full retirement age your survivor benefit will be reduced). And if you are not yet collecting your own SS benefit, you have the option to claim your survivor benefit from your wife first while allowing your personal SS retirement benefit to continue to grow, up to maximum at age 70 if you like.

Just be aware that if you haven't yet reached your full retirement age (FRA) and you are still working, any SS benefit you take before your FRA will be subject to Social Security's "earnings test" which limits how much can be earned before they take away some of your SS benefits. The 2024 annual earnings limit is \$22,320 (changes annually) for those who claim prior to the year they attain full retirement age, and SS will take away \$1 of benefits for every \$2 over the annual limit. The "earnings test" no longer applies after you reach your full retirement age.

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GROSSMAN COMPANIES recently unveiled plans for a mixed-use development with 256 residential units and 65,000 square feet of commercial space on Granite Street in Quincy Center. This is a view of the proposed seven-story residential building that would be constructed along Hannon Parkway.
Rendering Courtesy The Grossman Companies

Mixed-Use Development Eyed On Granite Street

*Project Calls For 256 Residential Units, 65,000 Square Feet
Of Commercial Space On Site Of Current Shopping Center*

By **SCOTT JACKSON**

A Quincy-based developer this past week unveiled plans to build a mixed-use project featuring 256 residential units and 65,000 square feet of commercial space on Granite Street in Quincy Center.

Avi Shoss, the director of development for The Grossman Companies, on June 26 provided the Planning Board with a pre-filing presentation on the plans for the mixed-use project. The company could be back to make a full presentation on the project during the board's meeting on Aug. 7.

The Grossman Companies owns the property at 74 Granite St., which is home to a shopping center that includes TJ Maxx, Dollar Tree, Papa Gino's and other

retailers. The company also owns the neighboring lot at 56 Granite St., home to Burger King. Those two parcels, which include roughly 5.2 acres of land, are presently home to 65,100 square feet of gross commercial space and 214 surface parking spaces, Shoss said. The properties were recently added into Quincy Center Urban Revitalization and Development Plan project area.

The Grossman Companies have spent the past several years planning for the future of the site, Shoss told the Planning Board.

"For the last few years, we've been planning for the repositioning and potential redevelopment of this legacy property and lining up our leases to that end," he

said. "After countless studies of varying use, mixes, and densities, we landed on the project we will share with you tonight."

The Grossman family has been in business in Quincy for more than 130 years, Shoss said, and has owned the properties on Granite Street since the early 1900s.

"Similar to the conditions of the past that brought the family here over a century ago, the city's revitalization and the tactical urban planning under this administration and board offer the same opportunities for growth and progress, and the Grossman connection to the city is stronger for it," he said.

"The industry may have changed, but the downtown is again vibrant, and

the neighborhoods are still inviting and safe. Our renewed commitment to the city of our beginning is a testament to how far both the city and the family have come."

The development proposed for the site, dubbed Quincy Granite Place, would feature a total of 256 residential units, which Shoss said would be a mix of studio, one- and two-bedroom units. It would also feature 65,000 square feet of retail space, he said, "including traditional retail, restaurants, office space and a multi-tenant out-parcel where the Burger King currently stands."

The development would include a total of 497 parking spaces; 350 covered and

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Quarry, Granite Workers Museum Open July 6-7

The Quincy Quarry and Granite Workers indoor and outdoor Museum at the Lyons Turning Mill will open on Saturday, July 6th and Sunday, July 7th from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Also, a self-guided walking tour of the Lyons Turning Mill grounds to view artifacts around the mill with interpretive information at each location will be viewable. The museum has acquired new artifacts of the granite industry from the collection of the late Dave Hodgdon that are on display at the mill.

The museum has also added several new displays on the walking tour around the mill Historic pictures of Quincy's granite industry with interpretive information on each picture will be displayed. Visitors can view the locations of where the machinery was located by the foundations and stud locations.

The Museum will also be open for a self-guided tour to view pictures and artifacts from Quincy's granite industry. Museum members will be on hand to answer questions and Quarry Museum T-shirts will be on sale to help support the museum.

Directions: At the intersection of Copeland and Willard Streets, West Quincy, proceed under Southeast Expressway, stay to right to stop sign, the UPS building will be on the other side of ramp. Proceed with caution across ramp onto Ricciuti Drive to end and right on to Quarry Hills Drive. Turning Mill will be 100 yards on left.

Visit the website www.quincyquarrymuseum.org.

For more information call 617-472-1322.

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GOOD DEEDS: Four U.S. Presidents Hailed From Norfolk County

By WILLIAM O'DONNELL
Norfolk County Register of Deeds

One of the greatest attractions that makes Norfolk County a destination place to live and work is its rich and vibrant history. From the Revolutionary War to the present day, Norfolk County has played a significant role in shaping American history. Norfolk County established in 1793 has come to be known as the "County of Presidents."

Four of the 46 presidents of the United States were born right here in Norfolk County: John Adams and John Quincy Adams in a section of Braintree that is now part of Quincy, George H.W. Bush in Milton, and John F. Kennedy in Brookline.

The Norfolk County Registry of Deeds, which turned 248 this June and is the depository of more than 13.1 million land related records, contains a wealth of history. The Registry is

responsible for safeguarding the deeds of such Norfolk County notables as the president of the Continental Congress, Nobel Prize winners, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, a renowned Supreme Court justice, the Father of American Landscape Architects, and an educator who is considered to be the Father of Universal Public Education, along with one woman's remarkable story to overcome adversity, named Helen Keller.

It also contains deeds from the birthplaces of each of the four United States Presidents who lived in Norfolk County. These individuals have left a lasting impact on American history and culture and have each played a role in preserving and strengthening freedom for all Americans.

John Adams was one of our Founding Fathers, and without his contributions, we might not be celebrating the rich history of Norfolk County or for that matter,

the United States of America. John Adams served as Vice President to the first President of the United States George Washington and would become the second president of the United States in 1797 serving one four-year term.

"He was also brilliant, warmhearted, humorous and a lifelong talker," according to his Pulitzer Prize-winning biographer, David McCullough.

Few leaders did as much for freedom and liberty in so

many distinguished ways: Adams was the author of the Massachusetts Constitution which was a model for the writing of the U.S. Constitution; he was the Ambassador to Holland, Ambassador to Great Britain, known by some as the father of the U.S. Navy, our first vice-president, and our second President.

John Quincy Adams who was the son of John and Abigail Adams was the sixth President of the United

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Ask Barbara Graceffa: Where Do Decorators Find Inspiration?

Other than online sources, where do interior designers and decorators find inspiration? Kelly

Kelly, do you want me to give away all my secrets? Ha, ha!

The simple answer to your question is "everywhere!" If you keep your eyes open and pay attention

to your reactions to a design element (which can be anything from color to line and texture, for example), you'll find inspiration everywhere from your local coffee shop or favorite boutique to TV and movie sets.

Most importantly, successful decorators find inspiration in their homeowners. We listen and watch. We discover your style preferences, personality, family dynamics, and even notice your wardrobe and how oth-

er rooms are decorated. By capturing your passions and flair, we can better connect with you and provide your dream space.

We also look for springboard elements. These might include the overall design of the home or maybe a fabric the homeowner wants to use. Other jumping off points like the landscape, cityscape or seascape visible from the room provide inspiration for colors to repeat in a room. Focal

points like collections and antiques or an eye-catching piece of art, furniture, or rug influence design plans.

Designers also find inspiration from their travels, both local and abroad. We take cues from architectural elements, from art seen in museums and galleries, or even furniture selection and layout in a hotel lobby or room.

Finally, designers and decorators get inspiration from other design professionals like architects, kitchen planners, and lighting experts. When I moved

into my own condominium, I had five different ideas where I was going to place the dining room in my extra large great room. It wasn't until the electrician came to install the dining room chandelier did I make a decision based on his suggestion. He recommended the perfect location so that my dinner guests could look out the sliders to see the majestic Boston skyline in the background.

Texas designer Nicole Arnold calls inspiration an emotional tug. "If you pay attention to that tug and

bring it into the design, there is a much greater chance you're going to love the outcome. This is how you end up with a space you adore."

Therefore, you can find inspiration even when you're not particularly looking for it. You may find items that were originally outside your comfort zone or even design elements you hadn't considered or didn't know existed. So keep your eyes open and take note of statement light fixtures or tiles, a showstopper mirror or piece of art, or a dark color palette that surprised you. Inspiration is truly everywhere.

Barbara Graceffa is president and CEO of the Quincy-based interior decorating company, Secretary of the Interior. She offers creative designs and reasonable rates for interior decorating, home staging, downsizing and decluttering, and offers seminars on interior decorating and quilt design. Check out her website at www.sec-interior.com or call for an appointment at 617-921-6033.



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Eastern Nazarene College Closing

By **SCOTT JACKSON**

Eastern Nazarene College in Wollaston will be closing and “transitioning into a new educational enterprise” that will carry on the school’s legacy, the college’s Board of Trustees announced last week.

In an interview following the school’s announcement, Mayor Thomas Koch said it was too soon to say what impact the closure would have on the city.

In a statement on June 25, the school said that “like all small, private, liberal arts colleges, Eastern Nazarene has faced significant financial headwinds in recent years.” The trustees and numerous presidents had pursued alternatives to closure during that time, but the pressures continued to intensify and “it has become clear that transitioning to a new educational enterprise

is the only viable path for continuing ENC’s mission of providing transformational education.”

“We know many in our community will have questions about immediate next steps and long-term term plans for ENC’s programs and assets,” said ENC President Rev. Dr. Colleen R. Derr in the statement.

“While the outcome of this process is known, the process to get there remains fluid. We are committed to communicating with our stakeholders in a timely and transparent way to ensure those most affected by this transition have the information and support they need. We are also committed to close collaboration with state and federal officials, our accreditor and our partners in the Church of the Nazarene to ensure we are serving our community and

our neighbors well during this process.”

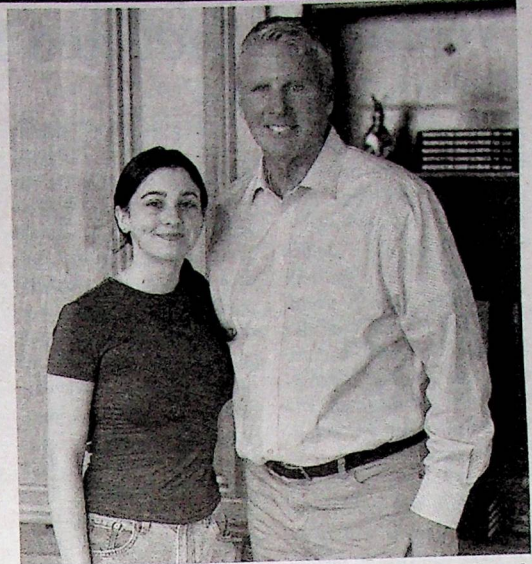
ENC intends to continue serving undergraduate and graduate students who are on track to graduate by the end of the year, “pending the commitment of a critical mass of students and faculty,” the school said. “Administrators have arranged teach-out agreements with three institutions – Gordon College, Mount Vernon Nazarene University and Trevecca Nazarene University – to provide streamlined transfer options for all other students. ENC will also provide job-placement support and access to counseling resources for faculty and staff affected by the closure.”

In a separate FAQ posted on ENC’s website on June 27, the school said it expects Campus Kinder Haus would operate normally during the transition. The college “is

working with CKH leadership to explore options to ensure it continues to operate beyond the conclusion of ENC’s academic operation,” according to the FAQ.

In addition, ENC said there would be no immediate impact on the Matthew 25 initiative, including the state-run Family Welcome Center that opened there last summer to serve migrant families. “ENC will remain in close contact with its partners in the Matthew 25 initiative – including the Massachusetts Office of Health and Human Services, Bay State Community Services (which operates the Family Welcome Center) and AMI Expeditionary Healthcare (which operates the Temporary Family Emergency Shelter) to ensure timely and transparent communication with the families we

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LEILI MAHROUK, a 2024 graduate of Quincy High School, was recently awarded the Brian E. Kelly Scholarship for 2024. Brian Kelly was a 1977 graduate of Quincy High School who excelled academically, athletically and artistically. He was an original member of the QHS Men at Work Wrestling team, starred in the school’s theatre club and graduated from Boston College. Leili also excelled as a student at Quincy High School while working part-time at Tony’s Clam Shop and interning at the Quincy Chamber of Commerce. She will be attending the University of Rhode Island in the fall and will be majoring in Film & Media. With Leila is Tim Cahill, president of the Quincy Chamber of Commerce. *Courtesy Photo*



ELL Professional Development for Educators

Quincy College is offering courses to Massachusetts K-12 professionals to support the success of **English Language Learners (ELLs)**. These 15-hour courses earn educators 15 PDPs which can be applied toward license renewal, are approved by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), and are listed on the Office of Language Acquisition (OLA) website as priority professional development opportunities.

Offered fully online and are self-paced. Registration is open to K12 educators in Massachusetts.

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Volunteers Inducted Into Interfaith Social Services' Hall Of Fame

Interfaith Social Services recently inducted 29 South Shore residents into their Matti Lang Hall of Fame. The volunteers were honored at a Volunteer Appreciation Night at the Quincy Masonic Building on June 13. Dunkin' Joy in Childhood Foundation was also honored at the event for their outstanding commitment to volunteerism and named Interfaith's Community Partner of the Year.

Interfaith Social Services operates one of Greater Boston's largest emergency food pantries, a mental health counseling center and homelessness prevention program. Since 1947, Interfaith Social Services has been a safety net for thousands of children and families from the South Shore who are struggling to make ends meet.

A volunteer force of more than 130 community residents helps support Interfaith's programs. Volunteers serve in a range of capacities, including serving on the Board of Directors, taking on weekly food pantry and Bureau Drawer Thrift Shop shifts, and assisting at Interfaith's annual Stop the Stigma 5K and Feed the Hungry Gala fundraising events.

"This past year, volunteers sorted through 10,000 bags of clothes for our Thrift Shop, distributed nearly 100,000 bags of groceries, re-stocked our pantry with more than 1 million pounds of food, and helped raise \$550,000 at our Gala and 5K events," said Paula Daniels, Interfaith's Director of Development and Volunteer Coordinator. "They are truly our saving grace, allowing us to serve all who come to us asking for help."

Attendees at the Appreciation Night were treated to a barbecue dinner from Black's Creek BBQ and dessert from Kate's Confections. During the event, 29 volunteers were inducted into the Matti Lang Hall of Fame, which recognizes those who have served at Interfaith regularly for at least one year. The Hall of Fame is named after one of Interfaith's most dedicated volunteers, Matti Lang, who gave decades of his life selflessly serving Interfaith's

clients.

This year's honorees include: Braintree residents Wave Bascombe, Jim Sullivan and Anna Wilson; Hingham resident Laura Sorgi; Milton resident Andrea Concannon; Quincy residents Anne Acton, Donna Bulka, Christine Chaudhary, Paula Cole, Elaine Enos, Brendan Gavaghan, Susan Gavaghan, Marilyn Hayes, Andrea King, Terrence Manning, Kate O'dell-Goldie, Jacob Perlmutter, Martha Regan, Michael Riley, Lillian Rogers, Katherine Rondinelli, Mallory Sain, Marsha Sherman and Lucy Smith; Scituate resident Nancy Brokamp; South Boston resident Clifton Sullivan; Stoughton resident Jean Kelliher; and Weymouth residents Sylvie Abbott and Elizabeth Finkenstaedt.

In addition to the Hall of Fame induction, Interfaith also honored their 2024 Community Partner of the Year, Dunkin' Joy in Childhood Foundation. This award honors businesses or organizations that have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to volunteerism.

Dunkin' Joy in Childhood Foundation has been a strong community partner of Interfaith's since 2019. With a mission of providing simple joys to children battling hunger, the foundation gives more than \$9 million annually to organizations around the country. The Foundation provided much needed grant money to Interfaith through the COVID pandemic and beyond, allowing Interfaith to purchase fresh produce for the food pantry and provide joy to the children they serve through the purchase of Halloween costumes, school supplies, holiday gifts and more.

Dunkin' volunteers have also donated more than 130 volunteer hours to Interfaith over the past 5 years. Several of the Dunkin' Joy in Childhood Foundation's employees attended the volunteer appreciation event and accepted the award on its behalf.

"Support from Dunkin' Joy in Childhood Foundation has helped our food pantry cope with significant demands for our services,"



INTERFAITH SOCIAL SERVICES recently inducted 29 volunteers into their Matti Lang Hall of Fame. These volunteers have given their time regularly for at least one year. Front row, left to right: Elaine Enos of Quincy, Nancy Brokamp of Scituate, Interfaith Social Services' Director of Development Paula Daniels, and Lillian Rogers of Quincy. Second row: Andrea Concannon of Milton, Martha Regan of Quincy, Paula Cole of Quincy, Wave Bascombe of Braintree, and Michael Riley of Quincy. Back row: Elizabeth Finkenstaedt of Weymouth, Clifton Sullivan of South Boston, Marilyn Hayes of Quincy, Jacob Perlmutter of Quincy, Mallory Sain of Quincy, Kate O'dell-Goldie of Quincy, and Anna Wilson of Braintree.



INTERFAITH SOCIAL SERVICES awarded their 2024 Community Partner of the Year Award to Dunkin' Joy in Childhood Foundation for their outstanding commitment to volunteerism. A team from Dunkin' including (from left) Jaime Leclair-Roy, Erin Pochay, Scott Harrington, Shelley Misiph and Victor Carvalho accepted the award at Interfaith's June volunteer appreciation dinner.

Photos Courtesy Interfaith Social Services

said Daniels. "In 2019 when the Foundation started supporting us, we were distributing 56,000 bags of

groceries to local families in need. This past year, we distributed 96,000 bags of

groceries and hygiene supplies. Their amazing contributions over the years have

meant so much to us and their positive impact is immeasurable."

Communion, Camp Sunday At Quincy Point Congregational Church

July 7 is Communion and Camp Sunday and worship will take place outdoors on the Abbey Road side lawn at 10 a.m. at Quincy Point Congregational Church, 444 Washington St., weather permitting.

Bring a foldable chair (church chairs also available) and get ready to sing some camp songs. There will be no live stream this

week to give our Video team a well-deserved break.

The church is equipped with an elevator on the Abbey Road side of the building and an "all access" restroom.

Can't make it in person? The weekly worship service is live streamed almost every Sunday (except July 7) at 10 a.m. on the church

YouTube, Vimeo, Facebook pages, and church website: www.quincypointcong.org. You can catch past services at any time on these platforms.

You can also tune in to QATV channel 8 on Sundays at 11:30 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6 p.m. for a re-broadcast of the weekly worship service.

Leah Jones Graduates University Of Hartford

Leah Jones of Quincy recently earned a Bachelor

of Science degree from the University of Hartford's

Barney School of Business in West Hartford, CT.

Yamilex Lanzo Fuentes Graduates Elms College

Yamilex Lanzo Fuentes of Quincy recently gradu-

ated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in speech language

pathology from Elms College in Chicopee.

Jessamine Bearchell On Hofstra Dean's List

Jessamine Bearchell of Quincy has been named

to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Hofstra

in Hempstead, N.Y.

Bearchell is a fine arts major.

Koch Defends \$285,000 Salary

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ees, there's budgets, there's developments you're putting together, there's long-term five-year planning and ten-year planning. I'm the appointing authority, the firing authority. There's a lot to the position. I don't think people understand that. It's a half a billion dollar operation. So, I'm grateful the council saw the wisdom in it – and they haven't had an increase in ten years, so I thought it was appropriate that they also should have an increase.

"I saw signs out front, 'a backroom deal.' This was not a backroom deal. This was very open from the beginning. We announced we were getting an outside survey, we shared the outside survey – and of course the press immediately goes to the top number, all hell breaks loose. Then of course from there an ordinance went in – we didn't have to do it by ordinance form, but I did it. We do it by ordinance form to make sure everything is out there in the open. This certainly was not anything to do with a backroom deal. This was very, very upfront and all the information was out there."

One of the concerns raised by residents opposed to the raises was that city councillors did not hold a public hearing on them. The council had held a public hearing on the budget on May 13 – after the release of the report by the Dorminson Consulting recommending the mayor's salary be increased to somewhere between \$298,957 and \$370,000 but before Koch formally proposed the new salaries for himself and the councillors.

Asked if the council should have held a public hearing specific to the raises, Koch said he would not tell councillors how to do their run their meetings.

"I'm not going to tell the council how to run their meetings. As I just described, this had plenty of public publicity about it out there. This was done over a couple of meetings; it wasn't one meeting. It was explained and talked about," Koch said.

"I think the folks that are complaining about the raise would complain if it was a \$10,000 increase. I think there's people that don't like public officials, there's a lot of people who don't like me personally – I get it. But the reality is it's about the job, not the person.

"We're the seventh largest city in Massachusetts. Worcester, Cambridge – they've got a city manager at \$300,000-something, plus a mayor at \$100,000-something. We do both and I'm happy to do both. I love the job, I think we've gotten a lot done, and if these numbers were in the private sector my salary would be a lot higher than that. But I understand that, that public sector doesn't pay like the private sector. On the flipside, it shouldn't be vastly reduced. There should be some compensation in relation to the responsibility of the position."

The \$285,000 salary will make Koch one of the highest-paid mayors in the United States, eclipsing the \$207,000 salary of Boston Mayor Michelle Wu and the \$258,000 salary of New York City Mayor Eric Adams. Koch said the comparison to the salary of New

York's mayor is unfair because of the perks that come with that job, including the use of Gracie Mansion as an official residence.

"First of all, the mayor of New York has a house, has servants, has drivers. If you're going to compare it, let's compare apples to apples," Koch said. "My guess is based on what we did, now a number of cities are going to look at it and probably make some adjustments because all the mayors are in the same boat. They have to bring it in. It's awkward, it's difficult, it's never the right time to do it. So, my guess is you'll see numbers that will increase."

"I know that there are some people that don't like my agenda and don't like what we've done," Koch added. "Having said that, this city has gone through a renaissance the last 12 years and we have seen incredible investment in this city. We're seeing a number of new housing starts. We're seeing a lot of new retail establishments, namely restaurants. We're seeing the parks transformed. We're on our fifth new school. We're doing seawalls. We're doing the water and sewer.

"There's communities that can't do a piece of what we're doing well within the Prop 2 1/2 cap. That doesn't happen by accident. Nobody else is going to say it. I'll say it – it's not an accident. This is good planning. This is good executive decisions. This is good collaboration with my colleagues in government. This city is on the move and there are some people that want us to continue to be a sleepy old town that it was 30 years ago.

Those days are gone."

City Council President Ian Cain on June 17 introduced a proposed ordinance that would tie the salary of the mayor and city councillors to changes in the consumer price index in the Boston region. It would also create a process where an independent salary review committee – consisting of three members appointed by the City Council – would review those salaries every five years, and states that "any proposed changes to the salary adjustment mechanism or additional salary increases" for the mayor or city councillors "must be presented at a public hearing before final approval by the City Council." In addition, the mayor's salary could be subject to performance-based adjustments, with the council responsible for setting those metrics.

In the recent interview, Koch said he was open to Cain's proposal.

"I think it makes sense to put something in place so we don't have to go through this every 10 or 15 years. It does make sense to do something," the mayor said.

"I got comments from a lot of people that they were shocked at how low my number is today. They were really taken back by that, so that shows you how far back it goes and it is out of whack, whether it's Tom Koch or somebody else sitting here."

Koch was first elected mayor in 2007 and was re-elected to his current four-year term last fall. During the recent interview, he said would not seek another salary increase during his current term, which expires in January 2028.

ENC Closing

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serve," the school said.

The college also said that additional close out work on campus is expected to occur in the first half of 2025. The school said it would "remain in close contact with local and state officials as we determine the future of the ENC campus and other assets."

Eastern Nazarene College was founded in upstate New York in 1900 before moving to Rhode Island. The school has called Wollaston home since 1919. ENC had an enrollment of 647 students – 492 undergraduates and 155 graduates – in the fall of 2022, according to US News & World Report.

In an interview on the afternoon of June 26, less than 24 hours after the college's announcement, Koch said it was too soon to say what impact the closure of ENC and its transition to a new educational enterprise would have on the city.

"I honestly don't know what that means, what they're describing. I have communicated today with the president of the college and we will be having a discussion by phone in the coming days to get a better understanding of what all that means," Koch said.

"As you know, we rezoned the site last year, the 55-and-over community, recognizing at some point, if they go out of business, that we would as a city be prepared zoning-wise to move forward with something.

"I don't want to get ahead of myself here honestly because until I have that conversation to see what's going on – they're talking about closure in sense but a different enterprise in another sense. I'm waiting to have that conversation."

Once it closes, Eastern Nazarene will join several Boston-area colleges that have shuttered in recent years. Mount Ida College, Pine Manor College and Wheelock College are among those that have done so.

While those schools have all closed, Koch said he is not concerned about the future of the city-owned Quincy College. He said Quincy College serves a different niche than others that have closed or are facing challenges of their own.

"Quincy College is a little different animal. Actually, Quincy College stabilized and their student census is up a little bit," Koch said. "I think in general the colleges are competing for less students and places like ENC, I think Curry is starting to see some challenges on their numbers, you men-

tioned Mount Ida, there are those.

"Quincy College, one of the advantages we have is the price point. It's a great advantage. More people are recognizing you can come here, you can get an associate's, in some programs get a bachelor's, for a lot cheaper than the normal marketplace. Some people get an associate's and then transfer to UMass Boston or somewhere else. Quincy College is unique and has I think a niche that is a little different from these others. It's a commuter school. You've got these colleges, you've got these dorms, you've got security, you've got food service, you've got all this overhead that this college does not have.

"Even if we built a new building with the college, they'd be paying the city a rent that they'd otherwise be paying a rent in a private building. So, the overhead doesn't really change much if we went down with one of the building programs. I don't think that Quincy College is in the same category as some of these other colleges. It's a different animal."

When asked if Eastern Nazarene's campus could provide a permanent home for Quincy College, the mayor said he did not want to speculate about that.

"I'd rather have that discussion with ENC first. I don't want to speculate or what's down the road," he said.

"Certainly that campus is in the middle and the heart of a Wollaston general single-family neighborhood, so we're going to be watching very closely what develops there or what the proposals may be, whatever they have in mind. Again, it's tough to decipher that – how it conforms to our zoning, how it would conform to the neighborhood. I'm going to try and get more information, try and get a better explanation and detail if we can. Then from there we will have that ongoing dialogue with ENC to see where we land."

"I'm not going to allow a developer to come in and buy it from ENC to put 2,000 units of housing there – that would be absurd," Koch added. "Nor am I going to allow some other – I can't even speculate, but some other crazy use that would have an adverse effect on a beautiful, single-family neighborhood part of our city."

"I know I'm speculating a little bit, but until we see how this shakes out with ENC, I hope everybody just relaxes and doesn't get too concerned until we get better information."

Woodward School For Girls Fourth Quarter Honor Roll

The Woodward School for Girls in Quincy announces its fourth quarter honor roll.

HIGH HONORS

Grade 6: Annalise Speck – Milton.
Grade 7: Jiaping Chen – Quincy, Yva Dalzon – Norwood, Melanie Francois – Brockton, Carleigh Loring – Weymouth.
Grade 9: Ruoxi Li –

Quincy, Scarlett Morin – Cohasset, Amelia Suvak – Cohasset, Ava Williams – Braintree.

Grade 10: Isabel Bitter – Boston, Alena Candido – Pembroke, Grace Connolly – Braintree, Alexa Galvao – Cambridge, Evelin Pires – Boston, Maiya Stafford – Boston, Laila Whyte – Mattapan.

Grade 11: Savannah

Eutsay – Milton.

Grade 12: Adria Kraja – Hingham, Abigail Williams – Quincy.

HONORS

Grade 6: Kensley Moore – Quincy, Aea Moreira – Quincy, Ava Perez DePonte – Randolph.
Grade 7: Eloise Claydon – Hingham, Michelle Freeman – Quincy, Arianna Kaul – Quincy, Athena Lyons –

Quincy, Nyrrelle Montauban – Brockton, Grace Torres – Randolph.

Grade 8: Amelia Byrne – Hingham, Genevieve Dipold – Cohasset, Addison Gould-Lewis – Canton.

Grade 9: Victoria Beliard – Mattapan, Isabella Edmeade – Quincy, Abbi Houton – Braintree, Kathleen Joseph – Quincy, Olivia Manick – Taunton, Lacy Sanders – Somerville.

Grade 10: Marlene Aldeco – Quincy, Leilah Caruthers – Dorchester, Madelyn Devlin – Boston, Ruby Devlin – Boston, Logan Joseph – Dorchester, Nicole Leung – Quincy, Nahimah Montauban – Brockton, Gabriella Quiles – Hyde Park.

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Massachusetts House Passes Home Equity Legislation

The Massachusetts House of Representatives last week passed "An Act relative to municipal tax lien procedures and protections for property owners in the Commonwealth," which would align current statute with a recent decision by the U.S. Supreme Court. The legislation secures the rights of property owners to reclaim any excess equity to which they are entitled after all taxes and fees are repaid to the municipalities following a tax foreclosure, while substantially increasing notifications and other protections for property owners throughout the foreclosure process.

"This legislation is not only an effort to ensure that the Commonwealth's laws comply with court rulings, it is also about protecting the rights of property owners here in Massachusetts throughout the tax lien

foreclosure process," said House Speaker Ronald J. Mariano (D-Quincy). "I want to thank Chairman Cusack for his work on this legislation, as well as all my colleagues in the House for voting to advance these important reforms."

"This legislation provides much needed consumer protections to property owners and clarity to municipalities on tax lien procedures," said Representative Mark J. Cusack (D-Braintree), House Chair of the Joint Committee on Revenue. "Equity will now be returned to its rightful owner while making cities and towns whole. Thank you to Speaker Mariano, Ways and Means Chair Michlewitz and my colleagues for their leadership and diligence on this important legislation that will positively impact Massachusetts."

"This legislation is im-

portant to ensure fairness in tax lien procedures," said state Rep. Tackey Chan (D-Quincy). "The legislation provides a way for municipalities to collect unpaid property taxes and owed water and sewer charges, while at the same time ensuring homeowners are able to fairly recoup the equity on their property in the case of a foreclosure."

"I was glad to join my colleagues in the House to unanimously pass this important municipal tax lien reform law," said state Rep. Bruce J. Ayers (D-Quincy). "This legislation aligns Massachusetts with the latest ruling from the Supreme Court, ensuring a more even playing field for homeowners in the Commonwealth facing foreclosure, and giving folks who previously went through the process a greater ability to make sure they only paid what they

owe. I want to thank Speaker Mariano, Chair Michlewitz, and Chair Cusack and their staffs for their steadfast work on this important legislation."

The Supreme Court ruled in *Tyler v. Hennepin County, Minnesota* that state laws allowing municipalities to retain equity from a foreclosed property, in excess of any taxes and fees owed by a property owner, were unconstitutional under the Takings Clause of the Fifth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution. This ruling had an impact on the municipal tax lien foreclosure process in the Commonwealth, since Massachusetts law also allowed municipalities or third parties that purchased tax liens to keep excess equity following a property foreclosure for unpaid taxes. Underscoring the need for legislative action, a recent ruling by the Mas-

sachusetts Superior Court (*Ashley M. Mills v. City of Springfield*) found that the property foreclosure process in Massachusetts was unconstitutional, a ruling that was supported by legal briefings from the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office.

This bill ensures that Massachusetts law is constitutional throughout all municipalities in the Commonwealth, and fair to those subject to municipal tax lien foreclosure proceedings. This legislation does the following:

- Requires that a detailed accounting be taken following a foreclosure in a tax taking of the excess equity that is available;
- Any excess equity must be returned to the former owner within 60 days;
- Allows for retroactive claims for excess equity from May 25, 2023, until date of passage;

• Updates notice requirements where the subject property is residential;

• Allows former owners the opportunity to file a claim in Superior Court if there is a dispute on the amount of excess equity owed;

• Increases the maximum length for repayment agreements for owed taxes from five to 10 years;

• Decrease the amount for a down payment for the repayment agreements from 25 percent to 10 percent and;

• Establishes a special commission to conduct a comprehensive study relative to the current law and practices around the collection of delinquent property tax revenue by municipalities in the Commonwealth.

Having passed the House of Representatives 154-0, the bill now goes to the Senate for its consideration.

On Friday, June 21, at about 9:50 p.m., Officer N. Lawrence and Officer C. Murray were dispatched to the area of the Thomas Crane Public Library on Washington Street to investigate a report of a male, wearing a black hoodie and baseball hat, walking down the street and kicking cars. They were unable to locate the male kicking cars.

At about 9:58 p.m., Sergeant J.P. Kelly responded to the Seven Eleven Convenience Store located at 230 Washington St. for a report of a possible Assault and Battery that just occurred. The caller reported that he observed a male yelling at a female. The victim attempted to confront him and the suspect ran towards him, knocked him to the ground and kicked him two or three times in the chest and stomach. The suspect then ran off. The victim said he was not injured and

A Job Well Done

By OFFICER GREGG HARTNETT
Public Information Officer
Quincy Police Department

was not sure who the male was or why he assaulted him. A description was provided to area units and the responding Officers believed this suspect was the same male who was kicking cars a short time earlier near the Thomas Crane Library.

At 10:42 p.m., Officer K. Habib was in the area of the Five Guys Restaurant at 1250 Hancock St. and spotted a

male that matched the description of the suspect. Officer M. Greenwood responded as backup unit and the male was detained. Another victim approached these officers and reported that the detained male had robbed him on an MBTA Bus. Officer J. Dalton and M. Gibbons responded to the Seven Eleven to assist with a "show up identification" with the victim at that location. The victim confirmed that the suspect was the person who kicked him.

The suspect was placed under arrest and charged with assault and battery to wit: shod foot and unarmed robbery. Both crimes are felonies. He was transported to Quincy Police Headquarters and booked by Sergeant J. McNeil. He was later arraigned at Quincy District Court.

Job Well Done!

QUINCY POLICE CRIME AWARENESS JOURNAL

Entries submitted by the Quincy Police Department

FRIDAY, JUNE 21

DISORDER (employee/customer), 9:42 a.m., Dunkin Donuts, 687 Hancock St. Peace restored. All advised.

SHOPLIFT (male), 3:33 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. Suspect fled, store to handle and will call if suspect returns.

VANDALISM/PROPERTY (smashed window), 4:10 p.m., 1515 Hancock St. Case number provided. No suspect information

LARCENY (money), 5:27 p.m., 85 Quincy Ave. Case number provided. No suspect information.

UNARMED ROBBERY (possible assault and battery), 9:58 p.m., Seven Eleven Store, 230 Washington St. One under arrest for assault and battery dangerous weapon to wit: shod foot and unarmed robbery. Report to be filed.

SATURDAY, JUNE 22

SHOPLIFT (just occurred), 2:47 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. Store retrieved merchandise. Suspect was gone on arrival.

DISORDER (past), 4:19 p.m., Home Depot, 465 Centre St. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (drunk female), 6:03 p.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd. Arrest made for disorderly conduct, defacing property and assault and battery. Report to be filed.

LARCENY/MOTOR VEHICLE (moped), 6:03 p.m., 60 block of Sixth Avenue. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (past), 8:13 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (large group), 8:48 p.m., 50 block of Wall Street. Officers responded to the area and were unable to locate a disturbance.

SUNDAY, JUNE 23

BREAKING AND ENTERING/PAST (smashed window), 10:09 a.m., Quincy Cannabis Co., 715 Washington St. Report to be filed.

VANDALISM/PROPERTY (paint on window), 10:42 a.m., American Fences, Inc., 508 Washington St. Report to be filed.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/ATTEMPT (last night), 1:44 p.m., 200 block of Adams St. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT, 4:30 p.m., Stop and Shop Supermarket, 495 Southern Artery. Suspect fled prior to officers' arrival. Store to handle.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (past), 7:14 p.m., low numbers of Elm Street. Report to be filed.

MONDAY, JUNE 24

SHOPLIFT (male), 12:51 p.m., Home Depot, 177 Willard St. One male suspect issued a trespass notice by Loss Prevention Officer and sent on the way. Advised, store to handle.

DISORDER (fight), 9:45 p.m., Pond Street Playground, 50 Pond St. Peace restored. Sent on way.

DISORDER (past fight), 9:45 p.m., Assembly, 425 Hancock St. Disturbance with an unruly customer. Customer left prior to the officers' arrival. Peace restored.

SHOPLIFT (female), 11:46 p.m., CVS Pharmacy/24 Hour, 42 Beale St. All stolen items were returned to the store and the suspect was issued a trespass notice by store employee.

TUESDAY, JUNE 25

ATTEMPTED MOTOR VEHICLE BREAKING AND ENTERING (on camera), 12:54 a.m., 580 block of Quarry Street. Suspect description provided. Officers checked the area and were not able to locate the suspect. Report filed.

LARCENY (property), 2:17 a.m., 40 Washington St. Report filed.

VANDALISM/PROPERTY (past), 3:27 p.m., 170 block of Billings Road. Report to be filed.

LARCENY (past), 7:43 p.m., Thomas Crane Public Library, 40 Washington St. Report to be filed.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

DISORDER (couple yelling), 2:20 a.m., CVS Pharmacy/24 Hour, 42 Beale St. Officers checked the parking lot and there were no people in the lot. All parked cars were unoccupied. Gone on arrival.

VANDALISM/PROPERTY (damaged window), 8:59 a.m., 140 block of Safford Street. No suspects. Case number provided. Advised.

SHOPLIFT, 1:23 p.m., Walgreen Pharmacy, 132 Granite St. Three suspects issued trespass notices by store

manager. Items recovered. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (over parking), 4:51 p.m., 33 Washington St. Issue over parking. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (two males), 5:09 p.m., 25 Bigelow St. Argument over money. Report to be filed.

THURSDAY, JUNE 27

SHOPLIFT (just occurred), 6:30 a.m., CVS Pharmacy/24 Hour, 42 Beale St. Suspect gone on arrival. Store employee not sure what was stolen. Store to handle.

LARCENY (check), 7:10 a.m., Lowe Street. Report filed.

LARCENY (mountain bike), 8:52 a.m., 280 block of Hancock Street. Report to be filed.

LARCENY (wallet), 11:22 a.m., 550 Victory Rd. Wallet left in a taxi. Credit cards were used. Report to be filed.

VANDALISM/PROPERTY (car hit car), 12:46 p.m., Beades Exxon, 447 Southern Artery. Report filed. Not a motor vehicle crash.

DISORDER (two males), 3:51 p.m., 250 block of Arlington Street. Road rage incident started in Dorchester. All advised.

DISORDER (two males), 4:51 p.m., Department Transitional Assist, 1515 Hancock St. Caller reported a disturbance in progress. Peace restored, all involved advised and sent on the way. Caller was a third party not involved.

SHOPLIFT (in progress), 5:27 p.m., CVS Pharmacy, 321 Quincy Shore Dr. Suspect was gone on arrival. Officers checked the area. Case number provided.

SHOPLIFT (male), 6:16 p.m., Home Depot, 177 Willard St. Officer was able to confirm identity of the suspect. Store to handle.

SHOPLIFT (just occurred), 6:29 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. One under arrest for larceny over and failure to stop. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (one male, one female), 7:52 p.m., TJ Maxx, 100 Granite St. Two shoplifters detained, with no ID. One under arrest for four outstanding warrants. Both suspects issued a trespass notice by Loss Prevention.

SHOPLIFT (multiple items), 8:42 p.m., Stop and Shop Supermarket, 495 Southern Artery. Trespass notice issued by Loss Prevention. Suspect sent on the way. Store to handle.

Feds Joins Ongoing Clasby Investigation, Koch Says

By SCOTT JACKSON
The investigation into Thomas Clasby, the city's recently fired director of elder services, remains ongoing, Mayor Thomas Koch said in an interview this past week.

Koch had placed Clasby on leave on April 19 after Koch was made aware of "financial irregularities at the Department of Elder Services," according to a previous statement from the

mayor's office. Koch terminated Clasby on May 17 amid the investigation, according to a separate release from the mayor's office.

In an interview on June 26, Koch said he had not received an update on the investigation, and it remains ongoing.

"No, and I don't know that I will get an update," the mayor responded when asked if there was an update. "At some point, I hope

I do, but the investigation is ongoing."

Koch said that federal investigators have joined the probe, which was initially led by the Quincy Police Department.

"I know the feds are here as well as the Quincy police investigating it," he said. "They have a public corruption unit, I believe, that looks at these things."

The mayor said it was too soon to put a dollar value on

the financial irregularities being probed, as that is part of the investigation. Koch also said that Clasby is currently eligible for a city pension, but that could change "depending on the results of the whole investigation."

"I don't want to get into speculation," Koch added. "He's got a right to counsel, a right to defend himself. We'll see where the investigation goes, where it leads, and what happens after that is the question."

Clasby began working for the city in 1997 when he was named manager of transportation and housing for the Department of Elder Services by then Mayor James Sheets. Sheets promoted Clasby to director of elder services two years later. The position had a salary of \$115,000 in the fiscal year that ended July 1.

Following Clasby's termination, Koch named Michelle Hanly as the new director of elder services. Hanly had led the recreation division of the Department of Natural Resources since 2019 after serving as program manager under then Recreation Director Barry Welch.

"I'm very confident in Michelle Hanly's abilities," Koch said in the recent interview. "I think she's going to do a nice job at that place with new leadership. I want the seniors to know that we haven't lost a beat and I think they've witnessed that at the Kennedy Center. There is no programming being negatively affected here. It's all moving forward with kind of a new look."

Christopher Rooney has since been named the new leader of the recreation division.

"Chris Rooney has been a great city employee. He worked at the Park Department a few years back before it was Natural Resources, he got his MBA and then went to the assessors and went into the role as one of our city assessors. Chris Rooney came up through the rec. programs, was a leader in the rec. programs, was a great sports guy," Koch said. "He's got a great skillset, good management ability, and I think he's going to do an outstanding job leading the recreation division of the Natural Resources [Department]."

"Obviously we're happy for Michelle and thrilled that she's taken over down at the Kennedy Center. She brings a certain skillset to that job that is new to the place too. Both good moves, I think."

GOOD DEEDS: Four U.S. Presidents Hailed From Norfolk County

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States. President John Quincy Adams was known for his successful negotiation of the Treaty of Ghent, which ended the War of 1812 and solidified America's independence. His dedication to public service and diplomacy left a lasting impact on the nation.

"John Quincy Adams was a genuine visionary, with bold plans to enlarge the nation's moral, scientific, educational, and commercial capacities," said award-winning historian Robert Sean Wilentz.

John Quincy Adams served as a diplomat, senator, and Secretary of State before becoming president himself. John Quincy Adams was also a strong advocate for abolitionism. His efforts to expand American territory and promote education demonstrate his commitment to freedom and equality for all.

John F. Kennedy became the 35th President of the United States in 1961. President Kennedy was known for his charisma and ability to inspire change. His vision for a better world resonates with people of all back-

grounds and continues to impact leaders today.

"There was a heroic grandeur to John F. Kennedy's administration that had nothing to do with the mists of Camelot," said renowned journalist David Talbot.

President Kennedy's address to the nation on June 11, 1963, about the struggles of civil rights and his call to end segregation and discrimination in America inspired a generation to fight for equality and justice for all. His legacy continues to inspire activists and leaders to this day.

George H.W. Bush became the 41st President of the United States in 1989. President Bush was known for his diplomatic skills and ability to navigate complex international relations. His commitment to fostering world peace and stability was a defining characteristic of his presidency. In response to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait in August of 1990, President Bush personally negotiated the formation of a coalition of 35 countries to restore Kuwaiti sovereignty.

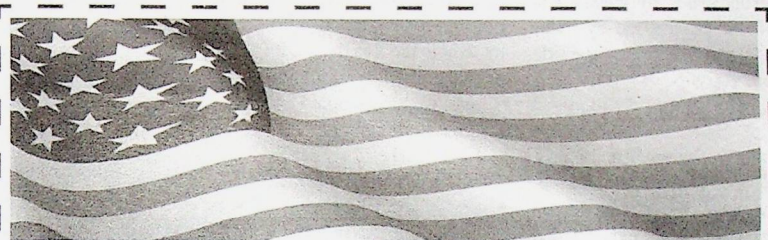
"His (George H.W. Bush) friendship has been one of the great gifts of my life,"

said former United States President Bill Clinton. "I cherished every opportunity I had to learn and laugh with him."

In 1990, President Bush signed into law the Americans with Disabilities Act, which aimed to ensure equal rights and opportunities for individuals with disabilities. His commitment to inclusivity and accessibility helped pave the way for a more equitable society.

The Fourth of July is a time we can come together as Americans and celebrate our country's founding. We certainly are fortunate to live in the United States of America. I am always struck by the foresight of the words of John Adams in a letter to his wife dated July 3, 1776 about the independence of our nation. "I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated, by succeeding Generations.... It ought to be solemnized with Pomp and Parade.... with Games, Sports, Bells, Bonfires and Illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more."

Happy 4th of July.



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Honor, Memorial Bricks Available For Purchase

The Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 294, Morristown American Legion Post in Quincy has resumed selling engraved honor and memorial bricks for its "Bricks for Veterans" at Flags for Veterans Island, Fort Square, Quincy.

Bricks are available for \$50 each. The bricks can be inscribed with a veteran's name, rank and branch of service. Two sample bricks appear above.

This form can be clipped, filled out and mailed to order a brick.

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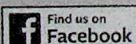
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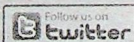
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Thursday, July 4
12:00pm: 2023 Merrymount 4th of July
8:00pm: Flag Day Celebration

Friday, July 5
12:00pm: Flag Day Celebration
2:00pm: City of Generals

Saturday, July 6
12:00pm: New Squantum School Meeting 6/25
8:30pm: Music of the '60s & 70s

Sunday, July 7
11:30am: Quincy Point Church Good News
1:00pm: The Call

Monday, July 8
11:30am: LIVE: Currently in Quincy
7:00pm: New Squantum School Meeting 6/25

Tuesday, July 9
7:00am: LIVE: AM Quincy with Joe Catalano
7:30pm: LIVE: Whispers from the Other Side

Wednesday, July 10
6:00pm: Quincy Point Church Good News
7:00pm: The Call

Government Access Channel 9

Thursday, July 4
4:00pm: Board of License Commissioners 6/18
5:00pm: Zoning Board of Appeals 6/18

Friday, July 5
8:00pm: Planning Board 6/26

Saturday/Sunday, July 6/7
9:30am: For Your Health: Summer Safety
2:30pm: Planning Board: 6/26
4:00pm: Board of License Commissioners 6/18
5:00pm: Zoning Board of Appeals 6/18
7:00pm: Scott Woolweaver & Lynn Salmonsens
8:00pm: Home Sweet Healthy Homes
10:00pm: Board of License Commissioners 6/18
11:00pm: Zoning Board of Appeals 6/18

Monday, July 8
3:00pm: Scott Woolweaver & Lynn Salmonsens

Tuesday, July 9
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6:00pm: LIVE: Zoning Board of Appeals 7/9

Wednesday, July 10
6:30pm: For Your Health: Poisonous Plants
10:00pm: Meet the Musician: Wayman Chin

Programming is subject to change.

For a complete list of programs, please visit our website at qatv.org

YMCA's Taste Of South Shore Raises \$365,000

The South Shore YMCA transformed its Hale Family YMCA branch in Quincy May 8 into a "field house of dreams" to host the Taste of the South Shore, a tasting event and fundraiser for the South Shore YMCA association. This is the first time that "The Taste" was hosted onsite at the YMCA in its 26-year history, and the presence and support of over 550 guests and 30 vendors made the event a true home run.

Chefs representing the South Shore's finest restaurants, bakeries, and catering companies prepared and personally served gourmet sports-themed tastings to guests, while local breweries, distilleries, and beverage companies served samples from "upscale concessions" stands. Brian Houlihan's team at Eat Local was voted "Top Taste" by guests, and Rustic Spirits, led by Vytautas Makstutis, captured the title of "Top Sip."

Co-hosted by Karen and Rob Hale, this year's Taste of the South Shore event raised over \$365,000 to ensure that no child in the community is ever turned away from experiencing the transformative power of youth programs and sports at the Y.

"Your generosity has opened doors of opportunity for countless children, providing them with the resources and support they need to thrive both on and off the field," said South Shore YMCA President and CEO, Paul Gorman to attendees.

Guests entered the event through the YMCA Hallway of Heroes, celebrating the many professional and everyday athletes who got their start through Y sports, from Rocky Marciano to Jackie Robinson.

"Hosting this event within the walls of our YMCA allows us to showcase the places where magic truly happens," Gorman said. "From the joy of learning a new sport to the exhilaration of friendly competition, every corner of our Y embodies the spirit of growth, community, and endless possibilities for kids."

At the event, Mayor Thomas Koch spoke of the vital role the Y plays in Quincy and beyond.

"The YMCA is essential to our community. It is where hundreds of Quincy kids gather each day to play and connect in a place where they feel safe and welcomed," Koch said. He also thanked Dan Quirk, founder and CEO of Quirk Auto, and host Rob Hale, founder and CEO of Granite Telecommunications, for their generous support of the Y and the Quincy community.

"Why do we support the YMCA? It's very simple," Rob Hale said. "I adore the Y and always will. I adore Quincy, and one of the best parts of Quincy — the pillars of the Quincy community — is the Y community. It helps people who need help. It brings us all closer. For me, for Karen, the ability to help the Y is the ability to help our whole community. And we are humbled and honored to do it."

In 2022, the Hale Family YMCA was named in appreciation of the Hales' generous gifts to the South Shore YMCA.

"The Y is where everyone belongs on the team," said Paul Gorman. "Sports teach kids to be strong in spirit, mind, and body. At the Y, all kids can learn and play without fear, with inclusive, adaptive, recreational, and competitive sports programs where every kid has a chance to be their best."

"The Taste would not be possible without the support of our food and beverage partners, donors, volunteers

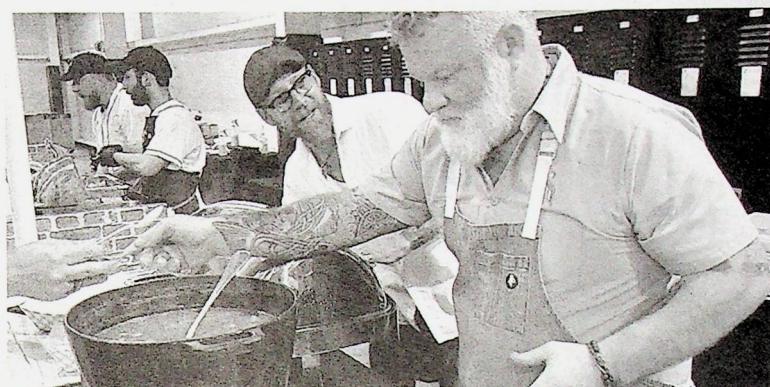


TASTE OF THE South Shore Chefs pose at Y field house of dreams.

and committee members," said Mary Orne, chief development officer for the South Shore YMCA. "We would like to thank this year's co-hosts, Karen and Rob Hale, and the entire Host Committee, who assisted in gathering and delighting over 550 guests."

Orne also thanked The Taste Planning Committee, led by co-chairs Julie Ellis and David Lombardo. "Their dedication, hard work and creativity helped transform the Hale Family Y field house into a spectacular venue, where guests enjoyed amazing food and drink, celebrated with friends old and new, and danced to live music performed by area favorite, The Smoking Jackets."

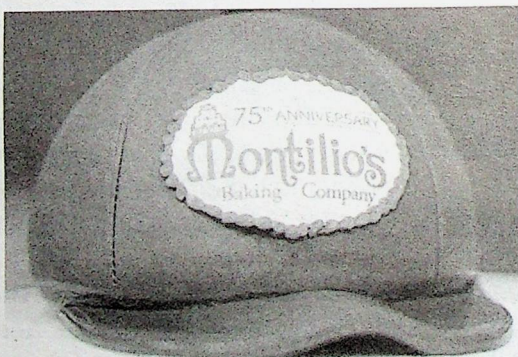
For a full list of Taste of the South Shore 2024 food and beverage partners, sponsors, committee members and partners, or to donate to support Y sports and youth programs, visit ssymca.org/taste2024.



BRIAN HOULIHAN (right) prepares his winning dish at The Taste of the South Shore.



BOB HALLORAN, Jack and Kathie McDonough, and Chef Paul Wahlberg at The Taste of the South Shore.



MONTILIO'S BAKING COMPANY designed sports-themed confections at The Taste of the South Shore to support youth sports. Courtesy Photos



SOUTH SHORE YMCA CEO Paul Gorman (left) with The Taste Co-Hosts Karen and Rob Hale.



SOUTH SHORE YMCA Executive Board Chair Matthew Shadrick enjoys Bacon Hoop at The Taste of the South Shore.



DAN QUIRK (left) with Y Lob-Stars Tennis Player Justin Daley (center) and South Shore Bank CEO Jim Dunphy.

Managing Weeds In The Garden

By MELINDA MYERS

No matter the weather, weeds seem to thrive and reproduce, and if left unchecked, they can overwhelm the garden and gardener. These unwanted plants find their way into your garden as seeds, roots, rhizomes, or whole plants. Seeds can be carried in by the wind, birds, and other animals, or on the soles of shoes. Roots, rhizomes, and even plants hitch a ride in the soil or with plants that we move into the garden.

Start early managing weeds in your garden. Smaller weeds are easier to pull and removing them before they flower and form seeds can prevent hundreds of weeds in next year's landscape.

This is not always possible. Weather and busy schedules often limit gardening time, allowing these vigorous plants to overtake the garden.

It is never too late and worth investing time in managing weeds in the gar-

den. Weeds are adaptable and vigorous, outcompeting your desirable plants for water and nutrients. Many serve as host plants for insect pests and diseases that may also attack your garden plants.

Carefully dig or pull weeds, removing the top and roots. Established weeds may have a deep tap root or extensive root system that may be difficult to remove. Depending on the weed, any part left behind has the potential to start a new plant.

Find the tool that best works for you. A Dutch or action hoe works well on small weeds where there is space between plants. Glide the cutting edge just below the soil surface to cut the roots. Many gardeners find a weed knife to be a useful tool. It allows you to dig right next to the weed and pop it out of the ground with minimal impact on surrounding plants.

If bending is an issue, you may opt for one of the standup weeder. There

are several types available. Most have tines you insert into the soil surrounding the weed. A hand or foot-operated action causes the tines to tighten around the weed roots before you lever it out of the ground.

Perennial weeds are a bit more challenging. Many have extensive roots that are nearly impossible to remove entirely. Repeatedly digging up the plants can eventually manage these weeds, but it can take years. Cutting the plants back to the ground as soon as they appear can help "starve" them, prevent reseeding, and help contain and even eliminate some perennial weeds.

If the weeds begin to take over the garden, tackle those flowering or setting seeds first. Do not compost these or perennial weeds. Most compost piles don't get hot enough to kill the seeds or perennial weeds. Contact your local municipality to find out your options for disposing of these as well as perennial and invasive

weeds.

Once the weeds are out of the garden, spread a layer of organic mulch over the soil surface. The finer the mulch, the thinner the layer needed. Pull the mulch away from tree trunks, shrub stems, and the crowns of your other plants.

Mulching helps suppress weeds by reducing seed sprouting and making it easier to pull the seedlings that get through the mulch. Increase your success by placing a couple of sheets of newspaper or a piece of cardboard beneath the mulch. Mulching won't stop existing perennial weeds like quackgrass and bindweed. Keep managing these until all the roots have been removed.

Shredded leaves, evergreen needles, and other organic mulch also, conserve moisture, moderate soil temperatures, and add organic matter to the soil as it breaks down. Mulch also helps protect the soil from compaction and erosion



PERSISTENCE IS the key to success when battling bindweed. Photo Courtesy of MelindaMyers.com

during heavy rains. As many places experience more intense rainfall and higher-than-normal summer heat, mulching the soil becomes even more beneficial.

Consider the benefits when you head out to tackle the weeds in your garden. You will improve the health and beauty of your garden while burning between 200 and 400 calories every hour you weed.

Melinda Myers has

written over 20 gardening books, including Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" instant video and DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine. Myers' website is www.MelindaMyers.com.

STARS Of The Spectrum Musical Festival Aug. 3rd At Veterans' Memorial Stadium

The Doug Flutie, Jr. Foundation for Autism will host STARS of the Spectrum Music Festival; the nation's only "By autism. For autism" concert at this scale - on Saturday, Aug. 3rd at Veterans' Memorial Stadium in Quincy.

The event will feature dozens of the most talented autistic musical performers from around the country, as well as many nationally acclaimed music acts. It builds of the success of the 25th Anniversary Concert at Fenway Park last year, where 5,000 people attended - many of whom were local residents with autism and their friends/families.

Organizers said there are over 4,600 people slated to attend the Aug. 3rd music festival with a goal of 10,000. Guests will experience a fully sensory-inclusive environment that uplifts and elevates the voices

and talents of people with autism and their families.

For ticket and more in-

formation, visit <https://flutiefoundation.org/starsoft-spectrum/>.

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THE NEIGHBORHOOD of Quincy celebrated the Club's Mixed Bowling League Season with a Disco Night June 13. The Club was decorated in disco style and attendees were treated to a delicious dinner and danced to music by DJ Kris Kamborian. Individual bowling prizes went to Karen O'Connell, Jeff Bertman, Maureen Collins, Peter Smialek, Bart Boncaldo, Ellen McWade, Rosine Afshar and Maureen Glynn. Neighborhood Club of Quincy Bowling League First Place team shown here (from left to right): Maureen Collins, Barbara Fitzgerald, Deanna Seymourian, Kathy Meade and Barbara Le Bel. Courtesy Photo

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★ Quincy Celebrates 'Old Glory'

QUINCY CELEBRATED 'Old Glory' at the 73rd annual Flag Day Parade June 15. Here are photos of flag wavers along the parade route. More Flag Day photos on Page 19 and Page 35.

Quincy Sun Photos/Robert Bosworth



At 73rd Annual Flag Day Parade ★





QUINCY YOUTH SOCCER U12 Girls Team (fifth and sixth grade) was a state finalist this year and the second best team in Div. 2. From left to right: Coach Anthony Coffua, Dorothy Lebo, Anna O'Conner, Olivia Johnson, Hayden Hill, Christine Mergel, Charlie Quinlan, Evelyn Allard, Abigail Crowley, Keira Herlihey, Isabel Bulens, Anne Robles and Coach James Mergel.

Courtesy Photo

QYS 5-6th Grade Girls Travel Soccer State Finalist

It was tough ending to an excellent season for the U-12 Girl Travel Team from Quincy. The team com-

prised of Quincy Youth Soccer players finished first in the Second Division of the South Shore Soccer League

going undefeated at 8-0. They then went on to win the South Shore playoffs with a tough 1-0 win over

Raynham in the Semi Finals, in Bridgewater MA. The following day the team pulled out a 4-2 win over Holbrook/Avon in the final. It was the first South Shore Soccer League Championship by a team from Quincy in over 20 years.

Next it was on the Mas-

sachusetts Tournament of Champions (MTOCs) in Lancaster, MA. The tournament consist of the champions from all the Travel Soccer leagues in state. The Best of the Best. The first game Friday night 6/21 was play in challenging condition of heat and humidity.

The game had to be called due to lightning after 20 minutes. A second lightning strike closed the field for the night meaning the girls had to play 3 games on Saturday to qualify for the final 4 on Sunday.

At 3:10 p.m. on Satur-

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"Had a Declaration..."

I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated, by succeeding Generations, as the great anniversary Festival. It ought to be commemorated, as the Day of Deliverance by solemn Acts of Devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with Pomp and Parade, with Shews, Games, Sports, Guns, Bells, Bonfires and Illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more.

You will think me transported with Enthusiasm but I am not. -- I am well aware of the Toil and Blood and Treasure, that it will cost us to maintain this Declaration, and support and defend these States. -- Yet through all the Gloom I can see the Rays of ravishing Light and Glory. I can see that the End is more than worth all the Means. And that Posterity will triumph in that Days Transaction, even altho We should rue it, which I trust in God We shall not.

*John Adams
Letter to Abigail
July 3, 1776*

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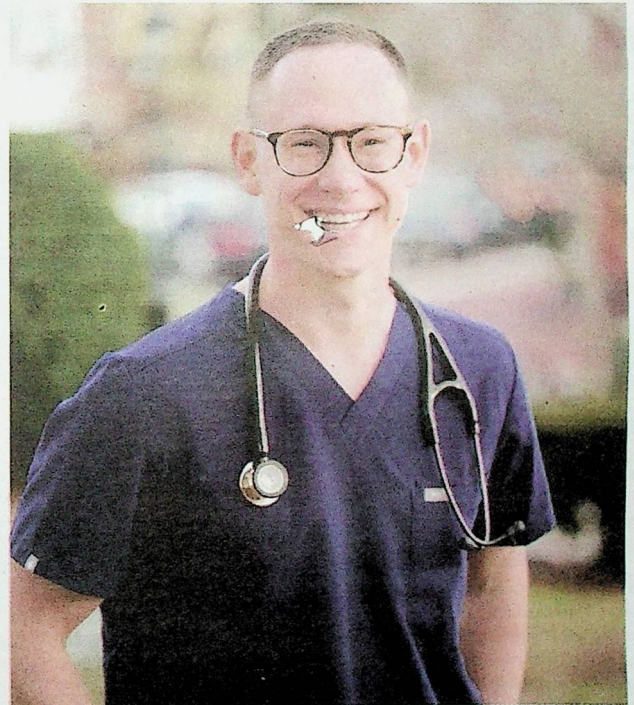
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Fowler House Wins Quincy Babe Ruth 2024 Championship

Capping off an undefeated season, the Fowler House team of Quincy Youth Baseball cruised through the playoffs, and won the Quincy Babe Ruth 2024 Championship.

Under the leadership of head coach, Mike Ruggiero, the team won all nine regular season games by a cumulative score of 92 to 55. They went on to defeat their semi-final challengers, and culminated the season with a victory in the championship game, which had all the thrills of a World Series game. By the end of the third inning, the game was all tied up at 4-4. The score would remain unchanged during the fourth and fifth innings, but Fowler House scored some big runs in the sixth and never looked back.

The team wishes to thank the Fowler House and its owner, John MacNeil, for sponsoring the team.



THE FOWLER HOUSE team recently won the Quincy Babe Ruth 2024 Championship. Pictured from left to right: Asst. coach Sean Glennon; Kevin Southworth-Mahoney; Peter Comiso; Kieran Sheehan; Michael Ruggiero; Devin Brothers; John Barron; Jacob Campbell; Cole MacIsaac; Logan Berenguer; Danny Reynolds; Robert Glennon; and Head Coach Mike Ruggiero. Seated: Connor Thibeault. Not pictured: Quinlan Maclean.

Courtesy Photo

QYS 5-6th Grade Girls Travel Soccer State Finalist

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day Quincy started strong with a 1-0 win over a feisty team from Danvers, who represented the Essex league. Despite on and off showers, the team followed that with a strong showing against Ludlow. Quincy won 4-0 with combination of strong attacking and smothering defense.

In the final game of Rounds Robin play Quincy fell to Swansea of the South Coast League on two tough goals. One off a deflection and second free kick under the bar. Despite the loss on their third game of the afternoon, the girls advance to the semifinals as a "wild-card" for the best second place team out of bracket play. The reward for all their hard work: an 8 a.m. game the next day.

On Sunday morning despite the short night of rest and long drive, Quincy came out ready to play in a foggy and misty morning. First order of business: a tough team from Nashoba Valley. Quincy took an early 1-0 lead on a rebound, however Nashoba would not go quietly and snuck in a goal on the wet grass to tie the game 1-1 at the end of the first half.

The second half had plenty of action: penalty kicks saved and shots off the cross bar or just over the net, but no more goals. After 60

minutes the teams were still deadlocked.

After 10 minutes of extra time, the team were still at a stalemate which meant one thing: penalty kicks to decide the game. Five players from each team were chosen. Due to the calm and sharp shooting of the Quincy girls and cat-like reflexes of goalie Charlie Quinlan with four great saves Quincy won 2-1 in penalty kick to advance to the finals!

The Finals Game saw Quincy matched up against another Nashoba Valley team. Quincy played with great intensity but was held to 0-0 draw at half time.

In the second half Nashoba finally broke the deadlock with multiple shots into the box and finally found the top corner in the back of the net. With 15 minutes to go Quincy kept on the attack but was held off by multiple saves by the Nashoba keeper. After 60 minutes the weary team (which was playing their 5th game in 19 hours) heard the three whistles signaling the end of the game, and the Quincy girls were the second-best team in the state in Division 2. No small feat. Despite the loss the girls were cheered on by the many family and friend who had come to support them on this day and throughout the three-month long season.

A Season for the Ages!

Peter Boylan On PSU Dean's List

Peter Boylan of Quincy has been named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Plymouth State University in Plymouth, N.H.

Boylan is a psychology major.

Chi Kin Li On Dean's List At Albright College

Chi Kin Li of Quincy is on the Dean's List for the spring semester at Albright

College in Reading, PA. A graduate of North

Quincy High School; Li is an accounting major.



CAL RIPKEN Minors Champions - The Quincy baseball team sponsored by Colonial Federal Savings Bank recently won the Cal Ripken Minors Championship. All smiles after winning the title by a 4-0 score are (front row from left to right) Joseph O'Brien, Tommy Burns, Sean Snow and Matteo O'Brien; back row (from left to right) Coach James Richardson, Sloane Grafton, Coach Chris Riggs, Jack Richardson, Liam Lavey, Jake Tobin, Coach Matt Tobin, Jacob Nguyen, Coach Bill Lavey and Anthony Riggs. Missing from photo: Jack Potter.

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Round Ball Basketball Camp

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Kevin Barrett:

- 18th Year Head Basketball Coach, NQHS
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- Phys. Ed. Teacher, Quincy Public Schools

Paul Beston:

- Quincy Youth Basketball Coach
- South Shore Youth Basketball Coach
- Member - Quincy High Hall of Fame
- Elementary Teacher - Quincy & Milton Public Schools

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FOR BROCHURE, CALL OR EMAIL:

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BOOKSTORE VOLUNTEER Anne Acton of Quincy poses with one of the store's elf helpers in front of the holiday display. Courtesy Photo

Friends Of Crane Library Bookstore Christmas In July On Sale Now

The Friends of the Thomas Crane Library Bookstore are making it easy to get a head start on your Christmas, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa purchases well before the holiday shopping season begins. Come in and browse the shop's large selection of books, DVDs and compact discs of the holiday persuasion during July.

The Bookstore is run by volunteers and its earnings enable the Friends to support a wide variety of library

programs, including museum passes. Located in the Atrium on the ground floor of the Thomas Crane Library, the store is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday 12:30-3:30 p.m.; Thursday 5-8 p.m.; and Saturday 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Any books, DVDs or mu-

sic CDs that you would like to donate to the library can be dropped off by depositing them in the donation bin found in the Main Branch Atrium, which is available all hours that the Library is open. Donations are also accepted at the bookstore itself during store hours.

League All-Stars Quincy, North Quincy Spring Sports Season

QUINCY HIGH SCHOOL

Ryan Beach - Baseball
Teddy Lynch - Boys' Lacrosse
Grace Connor - Girls' Lacrosse
Ciara Folan - Girls' Lacrosse
Henry Wilde - Boys' Tennis
Matilda Rollins - Girls' Tennis
Adam Bonica - Boys' Volleyball
Jayden Francois - Boys' Outdoor Track & Field
Kevin Heim - Boys' Outdoor Track & Field
Gabriel Rodrigues - Boys' Outdoor Track & Field
Salma Boukhtam - Girls' Outdoor Track & Field
Jenna Zarges - Girls' Golf

NORTH QUINCY HIGH

Charlie Baker - Baseball
Max Gaudio - Baseball
Aidan McCarthy - Baseball
Caroline O'Donnell - Softball
Autumn O'Campos - Girls' Lacrosse
Nina Smith - Girls' Lacrosse
Tom Duan - Boys' Tennis
Ian Ronan - Boys' Tennis
Philip Wang - Boys' Tennis
Kathy Mo - Girls' Tennis
Christine Lin - Girls' Tennis
Anthony Chiu - Boys' Volleyball
Cameron Johnston - Boys' Volleyball (*Cameron also named MVP*)
Raymond Lin - Boys' Volleyball
Justin Liu - Boys' Volleyball
Mamadou Diallo - Boys' Outdoor Track & Field
Aluna Coogan-Coyne - Girls' Outdoor Track & Field
Sophia Edwards - Girls' Outdoor Track & Field
Maddy McGillicuddy - Girls' Outdoor Track & Field
Hannah Moriarty - Girls' Outdoor Track & Field
Brooklyn Rizzo - Girls' Outdoor Track & Field
Sofija Slezas - Girls' Outdoor Track & Field

Wednesday Movie Screenings At Crane Library In July

The Main Library of the Thomas Crane Public Library, 40 Washington St., Quincy, will screen some well-known and popular films Wednesdays from 2 to 4 p.m. during July.

For July, the library will be screening sports and Olympics themed films. Additionally, the Main Library hosts marquee screenings on the first and third Fridays featuring audio described movies and foreign films.

The Adams Shore Library screens a monthly movie every third Thursday from 2 - 4 p.m. For Shark Week this month, the Main Library will host a "Jaws" Movie Night.

Main Library Movie Matinees:

• Wednesday, July 3: "Eddie the Eagle"

Biopic of Michael "Eddie the Eagle" Edwards, whose participation in the 1988 Winter Olympics marked the first time a Brit had ever competed at ski jumping. Edwards trains for the sport with a former champ, and later finds fame as a lovable loser who's just trying his best. Rated PG-13, Runtime: 1h 45min

• Friday, July 5: Audio Described Movie - "National Treasure"

A modern-day fortune hunter races to find an ancient treasure hidden by the Founding Fathers. Rated

PG, Runtime: 2h

• Wednesday, July 10: "Chariots of Fire"

Two runners compete in the 1924 Paris Olympics: both British, both from very different backgrounds. This Best Picture winner is based on actual events. Rated PG, Runtime: 2h

• Wednesday, July 17: "Richard Jewell"

"There is a bomb in Centennial Park. You have thirty minutes." The world is first introduced to Richard Jewell as the security guard who reports finding the device at the 1996 Atlanta bombing—his report making him a hero whose swift actions save countless lives. But within days, the law enforcement wannabe becomes the FBI's number one suspect, vilified by press and public alike, his life ripped apart... Rated R, Runtime: 2h 11min

Friday, July 19: Foreign Film Fridays - "Les Misérables" (French Dub; English Subtitles)

Inspector Javert pursues escaped convict Jean Valjean in the years following the French Revolution in this big-screen adaptation of the classic novel. Rated PG, Runtime: 2h 30min

• Wednesday, July 24: "Race"

Legendary black Olympian Jesse Owens competes in track and field at the 1936

Games in Nazi Germany, despite the host country's attempts to turn the event into a celebration of national pride and Aryan supremacy. Rated PG-13, Runtime: 2h 14min

• Wednesday, July 31: "Personal Best"

Two female track athletes find themselves moving from rivals to lovers as they train for the 1980 Olympics. However, their romance encounter barriers, from one runner's preconceived ideas of her own sexuality to their coach's archaic mindset. Rated R, Runtime: 2h 4min

Shark Week Movie Night:

Shark Week is nearing! The public is invited to the Main Library on Tuesday, July 9 for an evening screening of "Jaws" (1975) from 6 - 8 p.m. Rated PG, Runtime: 2h 4 min

Adams Shore Library's Movie Matinee will be screening "Moving On" on Thursday, July 18 from 2 - 4 p.m. Two estranged women reunite to seek revenge against the husband of their recently deceased best friend. Along the way, they learn to make peace with the past and each other. Rated R, Runtime: 1h 21min

Sponsored by the Friends of the Thomas Crane Public Library.

Visit the Crane Library's Events Calendar for more information and other events/activities.

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE
2024 - 090

Presently pending in the Ordinance Committee of the Quincy City Council. Be It Ordained by the City Council of the City of Quincy that Chapter 72 - Personnel Policies - Article I - Job Classifications and Salaries of the General Ordinances of the City of Quincy, be amended by adding the following:

Add Sections -

§ 72-7 - Salary of the Mayor of Quincy

A. Base Salary - The annual salary for the Mayor of Quincy shall be set at \$285,000, effective [specific date].

B. Annual Salary Adjustment - The Mayor's salary shall be adjusted annually on [specific date] based on the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the Boston-Cambridge-Newton, MA-NH area over the preceding 12 months.

C. Review and Approval Process - An independent salary review committee, consisting of three (3) members appointed by the City Council, shall review the Mayor's salary every five years. Any proposed changes to the salary adjustment mechanism or additional salary increases must be presented at a public hearing before final approval by the City Council.

D. Performance-Based Adjustments - The Mayor's salary may also be subject to performance-based adjustments. Criteria for these adjustments shall be established by the City Council and may include metrics such as financial management, achievement of strategic goals, and community satisfaction.

§ 72-8 Salary of the City Councillors of Quincy

A. Section 1: Base Salary - The annual salary for the role of Quincy City Councillor shall be set at \$47,500, effective [specific date].

B. Annual Salary Adjustment - The Quincy City Councillor's salary shall be adjusted annually on [specific date] based on the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the Boston-Cambridge-Newton, MA-NH area over the preceding 12 months.

C. Review and Approval Process - An independent salary review committee, consisting of three (3) members appointed by the City Council, shall review the Quincy City Councillor's salary every five years. Any proposed changes to the salary adjustment mechanism or additional salary increases must be presented at a public hearing before final approval by the City Council.

A TRUE COPY
ATTEST: Nicole L. Crispo
Clerk of Council

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2024 - 089

Presently pending in the Ordinance Committee of the Quincy City Council. BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Quincy that Chapter 175 of the General Ordinances of the City of Quincy, titled Hazardous Materials, be amended as follows:

Chapter 175. Hazardous Materials - Add Article VI. Hazardous Chemicals -Registration Fees, Fines and Response Costs

Add Section 175-26. Section 175-26. L Authority.

The City of Quincy adopts the following measures pursuant to its police powers to protect the public health and welfare, its authority under M.G.L. Chapter 40, section 21, and consistent with the federal mandates contained in the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA). The federal law known as EPCRA established emergency planning and reporting requirements for industries and local governments with respect to hazardous and toxic chemicals. These

federal reporting requirements apply to any facility that is required by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) to prepare a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for any chemical that is present on-site for one or more days in a calendar year and when the quantity of such chemical is equal to or greater than the following threshold limits established by the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

- 10,000 pounds (4,500 kg) of hazardous chemicals
- 500 pounds (230 kg) or lesser threshold planning quantity for Extremely Hazardous Substances (EHS)

The city adopts the following measures pursuant to the mandates described in Section 175-26.1. Facilities within the City of Quincy that are subject to the reporting requirements described in this Section shall annually submit Hazardous Chemical Inventory (Tier II) reports prior to March 1 to the City of Quincy Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), the Quincy Fire Department, and the Massachusetts State Emergency Response Commission (SERC).

Section 175-26.2. Definitions.

A. Enforcement Agencies

1. City of Quincy Fire Department (QFD), and Quincy Emergency Management Department (EMD)

B. Other Terms.

1. Hazardous Material.

One or more of the following:

a) A product or waste or combination of substances which, because of quantity, concentration, or physical, chemical, or infectious characteristics, poses a present or potential hazard to human health, safety, or welfare, or the environment when improperly treated, stored, transported, used, or disposed of or otherwise managed.

b) Any material regulated under Sections 310 CMR 30.122; 310 CMR 30.123; 310 CMR 30.124; 310 CMR 30.125; 310 CMR 30.131; 310 CMR 30.132; and 310 CMR 30.160 of the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection Hazardous Waste Regulations.

c) Any material, waste, product, or substance which has one or more of the following characteristics:

- I. Ignitable: easily catches fire, with a flashpoint of less than 140 degrees F;
- II. Corrosive: Easily corrodes certain materials, very acidic or alkaline, the pH is less than or equal to 2.0 or greater than or equal to 12.5;
- III. Reactive: explosive, produces toxic gases when mixed with water or acids;
- IV. Toxic: poisonous.

2. Extremely Hazardous Material.

A material which is extremely toxic or reactive. Facilities may obtain a list of extremely hazardous substances from the U.S. Environmental Protection website. That website may be accessed on the City of Quincy's Emergency Management Department website.

3. Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS).

The form containing data regarding physical characteristics, flammability, reactivity, toxicity, health and safety hazards of specific chemicals, and information relative to procedures recommended for spills and leaks of specific chemicals and specialized precautions to be taken during handling of specific chemicals.

4. Release.

The accidental or intentional spilling, leaking, pumping, discharging, pouring, emitting, emptying, or dumping of any toxic or hazardous material or substance upon or into any land, air, or waters within the City of Quincy or into the coastal waters of the city. Release includes, without limitations, leakage of such materials from failed or discarded containers or storage systems, or disposal of such materials into any sewage disposal system, dry well, catch basin, unapproved hazardous waste landfill, or any other discharge of toxic or hazardous materials into the environment. The term, "release" as used in this Chapter does not apply to the proper disposal of material or substances in accordance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

5. Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ).

Authorities Having Jurisdiction for purposes of Chapter 175-26 and its provisions consist of the City of Quincy's fire department, emergency management, police, and public safety officials with response jurisdiction over facilities possessing hazardous chemicals or materials.

175-26.3 Registration and fees

Facility owners and operators in possession of reportable quantities of hazardous materials within the city are required to register with the City of Quincy's Emergency Management Department (EMD) and to pay a registration fee to the EMD. Facility owners/operators shall be billed annual registration fees based on federally mandated Hazardous Chemical (Tier II) reporting. Owners and operators may be fined for failure to make registration fee payments, for failing to report on-site hazardous chemicals, or for safety violations connected to storage of hazardous chemicals.

1) Annual registration fees shall be \$150.00 per reportable chemical and \$300 per Extremely Hazardous (EHS) chemical. Facilities that possess an amount equal to or greater than 1,000,000 pounds or gallons of any one chemical shall pay an annual registration fee of \$1,000.00 per chemical equal to or greater than 1,000,000 pounds up to a maximum total of \$10,000.00 in annual registration fees for all on-site chemicals per company/facility per year. Owners/Operators shall be billed annually by the city on June 1 for the yearly fees based on that year's submitted Hazardous Chemical Inventory Reports (Tier II) due to the state and city no later than March 1.

2) Registration fees shall be billed to each facility by the EMD annually based on annual Tier II reporting no later than June 1 and payment shall be due prior to August 1. For calendar year 2024 billing will occur not later than August 1 and payment will be due no later than October 1. Companies that fail to pay registration fees prior to August 1 may be fined up to \$300.00 per day for each on-site reported chemical for which registration fees are overdue.

175-26.4 Failure to Report/Unsafe Maintenance or Storage - Fines

1) Any facility, company, or resident found to possess any on-site EPCRA reportable hazardous chemical not reported as required by law before March 1 annually may be fined up to \$300.00 per day for each on-site chemical.

2) Facilities that experience any changes during the Tier II reporting year after reports are submitted that affect emergency planning, such as the elimination or addition of a chemical, the reporting quantity on hand, or changes of ownership, must update their Tier II reports to the Quincy Fire Department and the City of Quincy LEPC and within thirty (30) days. Facilities that are found to violate this reporting policy may be fined up to \$300.00 per day for each on-site chemical not reported.

3) Per U.S. Code Title 42 Subsection 11022 (f), the Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) within the City of Quincy - specifically: city public safety, fire, police and emergency management department officials with response jurisdiction over facilities possessing hazardous chemicals - are authorized to conduct no notice on-site inspections at

4) any reasonable time to ensure that hazardous chemicals are being reported, as required, and are also being stored and maintained safely.

5) Facilities that are found to be failing store or maintain hazardous chemicals safely as determined by the Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) may be fined up to \$300.00 per safety violation and may be ordered to cease operations until conditions are deemed safe as determined by the AHJ.

6) Any facility in possession of an Extremely Hazardous Substance (EHS) that fails to maintain an on-site Emergency Response Plan (ERP), appoint a facility emergency coordinator, and submit that information to the City of Quincy LEPC as required by EPCRA law (Section 303) may be fined up to \$300.00 for each violation and/or may be ordered to cease operations by the Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ).

7) Fees and fines collected through this ordinance will be submitted into the Emergency Management revolving account established by the city and will be utilized for expenses related to city-wide emergency planning, response, and training, as determined by the Emergency Management Director.

175-26.5 Enforcement of Fines

The Emergency Management Department shall be authorized to utilize for enforcement of the provisions of this Chapter the non-criminal disposition procedure set forth in M.G.L. c. 40, section 21D.

175-26.6 Hazardous Materials Response - Reimbursement to City for Costs and Expenses

Massachusetts General Law Chapter 21E states that "any person or agency that undertakes a necessary and appropriate response action regarding the release or threat of a release of oil, gasoline or a hazardous material shall be entitled to reimbursement from any other person or company liable for such release or threat of a release."

1) Any facility, owner, or operator in the City of Quincy that experiences a release of oil, gasoline, or any other hazardous material within the city, or waterways shall be responsible for reimbursement payment of all expenses incurred by The City of Quincy during the response and mitigation of the incident.

2) Expenses due will be billed and payable within thirty (30) days to the Emergency Management Department. Fees will be based on the yearly published FEMA schedule of equipment rates for response apparatus equipment, the cost of any utilized materials, and city-set payment rates for response personnel required to mitigate the incident.

3) All fees/fines collected through these proposed ordinances related to the storage, possession, or spill/release of hazardous materials will be deposited into the Emergency Management Department revolving account and will be utilized for expenses related to emergency planning, equipment, and training for city emergency response personnel, as determined by the Emergency Management Director.

4) All assessments for expense reimbursement shall be directly proportionate to actual costs incurred by city agencies.

175-25.7 Administrative Enforcement

The provisions of this Chapter shall be enforced by the Fire and Emergency Management Departments of the City of Quincy. Members of the city's Fire and Emergency Management Departments may, at reasonable times, enter upon any premises at which toxic or hazardous materials are used or stored to inspect for compliance with the provisions of this Ordinance.

175-25.8 Notices of Violation

Written notice of any violation of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be given by the Emergency Management Department, specifying the nature of any violation, any corrective action that must be taken, the time limit for compliance, and any fine imposed. Notice shall also include an advisory as to an alleged violator's right to appeal.

175-25.9 Appeals

When any person or entity that has received notice from the city that a fine has been assessed for failure to report as required by law or for failure to maintain and store hazardous substances in a safe manner, such person or entity may request a hearing before the City of Quincy's Director of the Department of Emergency Management. Such request must be filed within seven (7) days after the day the notice of fine was served. In response to a hearing request, the Director shall hold a hearing at which time the appellant may offer testimony, present witnesses, and offer documentary evidence. Following the requested hearing, the Director shall issue a written decision to the appellant within seven (7) days of the hearing.

175-25.10 Severability

Each provision of this Ordinance shall be construed as separate, and if any section or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid for any reason, the remainder shall continue in full force and effect.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon enactment.

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ATTEST: Nicole L. Crispo
Clerk of Council

7/3/24

OBITUARIES

Carol A. Gormley, 64

Carol A. (Silkwood) Gormley, age 64, a longtime resident of Quincy, passed away, peacefully, Tuesday, June 25, 2024 at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, surrounded by her loving family, after a long, courageous battle against cancer.

Carol was born in Boston, raised and educated in Dorchester and Quincy, and was a graduate of North Quincy High School, Class of 1978. She took courses through the American Institute of Banking and later took online courses through various colleges, including Villanova University. She lived in Quincy for fifty years.

She was employed as a correspondence manager for Boston Financial at State Street South in Quincy for twenty-five years. For the past eight years, Carol worked as a Genius Admin for Apple.

Carol was a longtime active parishioner at Saint Ann's Church in Quincy where she worked with First Communion students for many years and served on the parish council.

Active in youth sports, she was the well-known commissioner of Quincy Youth Soccer for several years where she made many lasting friendships.

Carol loved knitting, crocheting, playing cards, and was an avid reader. Most of all, Carol was devoted to her family, especially her cherished grandchildren.



CAROL A. GORMLEY

Beloved wife for thirty-nine years of Richard A. Gormley.

Devoted mother of Andrew A. "Drew" Gormley and his wife LeeAnn of Hopedale.

Loving grandmother of Cadence, Jaxon, Madelyn, Bradley, and Sadie.

Cherished daughter of Sadie T. (Salibe) Silkwood of South Easton and the late George T. Silkwood.

Dear sister of Stephen Silkwood and his wife Tracie of Houston, Tex., Mark Silkwood and his wife Jennifer of Easton, and Elizabeth (Silkwood) and Fr. Benjamin Abouelkheir her husband of Cedar Park, Tex.

Carol is also survived by many nieces, nephews, in-laws, and loyal friends.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at Divine Mercy Parish in Saint Ann Church, 757 Hancock St., Quincy, on Wednesday, July 3, at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Visiting Hours will be held at the Dolan Funeral Home, 460 Granite Ave. East Milton, on Tuesday, July 2, from 4 - 7 p.m. Interment Mount Wollaston Cemetery, Quincy.

The Gormley family wishes to express their gratitude to Carol's oncologist, Dr. Sara M. Tolaney and her team of dedicated doctors, nurses, and staff for the loving care and support that was provided to Carol during her illness.

For those who wish, donations in Carol's memory may be made to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Memorial Contributions, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284-9168.

To leave the Gormley family a condolence message, please visit www.dolanfuneral.com.

Anne T. Dzengeleski, 67

Anne T. (Cavanaugh) Dzengeleski, 67 of Hingham, died unexpectedly on Monday, June 24, 2024, at the Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital, Milton.

Anne was born in Boston and raised in Scituate, the youngest of four children born to the late William and Margaret (Callahan) Cavanaugh. She was a graduate of Scituate High School and went on to graduate from Mount Ida College, Newton Center.

After graduating from Mount Ida College, she worked as a teacher's aide for Saint Coletta's Day School in Braintree. She went on to work in retail at CVS and then worked for the past five years for Walmart.

Anne was a parishioner of the former St. Francis Xavier Cabrini Parish in Scituate, and was currently a communicant of Holy Trinity Parish, Quincy.

Anne loved her family and friends and always made sure she reached out to them. She loved spending time with them and traveling to wherever they lived. She was also passionate about Uchei Ryu Karate, of which she held a sixth degree black belt.

Anne was the loving wife of Edward M. Dzengeleski of Hingham, whom she married on August 5, 2022. Devoted sister of William Cavanaugh and his wife Pamela, Susan Gavalis and her husband Edwin, all of Conway, South Carolina, Michael Cavanaugh and his wife Monica of Upper Darby, Pennsylvania. Dear aunt of James Mallett, Michael Cavanaugh, the late Justin Cavanaugh, Michael Kinee, Daniel Kinee, Matthew Cavanaugh, Emmanuela Descades and Thaendy Noel. Daughter-in-law of Edward Dzengeleski of Braintree. Anne is the Sister-in-law to Michael Dzengeleski, Rev. Martin Dzengeleski, Pastor of Holy Trinity Parish, Quincy, and the Late Daniel Dzengeleski.



ANNE T. DZENGELESKI

ugh and his wife Monica of Upper Darby, Pennsylvania. Dear aunt of James Mallett, Michael Cavanaugh, the late Justin Cavanaugh, Michael Kinee, Daniel Kinee, Matthew Cavanaugh, Emmanuela Descades and Thaendy Noel. Daughter-in-law of Edward Dzengeleski of Braintree. Anne is the Sister-in-law to Michael Dzengeleski, Rev. Martin Dzengeleski, Pastor of Holy Trinity Parish, Quincy, and the Late Daniel Dzengeleski.

Visiting hours were held at the Hamel-Lydon Chapel, 650 Hancock St., Quincy, on Thursday, June 27, 2024.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Friday, June 28, in Our Lady of Good Counsel Church of Holy Trinity Parish, 237 Sea St., Quincy, with Father Martin Dzengeleski, Pastor, officiating.

Private interment.

Funeral arrangements are under the compassionate care of Hamel-Lydon Chapel. For more information or for online condolences, please visit HamelLydon.com.

Jeanne F. Barry, 88

Jeanne F. (Liuzzi) Barry, age 88, of Weymouth, formerly of Quincy, died peacefully, Sunday, June 23, 2024 at South Shore Hospital in Weymouth.

Jeanne was born in Boston, to the late Leonard and Doris (Reynolds) Liuzzi. Raised and educated in Quincy, she was a graduate of Quincy High School, Class of 1954. She worked as a teacher's aide for the Quincy Public Schools.

Beloved wife of the late Paul J. Barry.

Devoted mother of Paul J. Barry, Jr. of Alexandria, Va., Christopher A. Barry, Sr., Q.F.D. and his wife Lauren of Hingham, the late Doreen F. Wallace and her surviving husband William of Herndon, Va., and the late Sean L. Barry.

Loving grandmother of

Kaylie, Madison, Brendan, Mackenzie, Christopher, Caroline, Catherine, and Colin.

Dear sister of the late Maureen Tote.

Jeanne's funeral services will take place privately. She will be interred with her late husband, Paul, at the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne.

For those who wish, donations in Jeanne's memory may be made to The Hundred Club of Massachusetts, 25 Braintree Hill Office Park, Suite 200, Braintree, MA 02184 or at <https://100clubmass.org/donate/>.

Arrangements under the direction of the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Ave. Quincy. You are invited to visit www.thesweeneybrothers.com or call 617-472-6344.

NOTICE TO READERS

Obituaries appearing in The Quincy Sun and posted on the newspaper's website are written by the funeral home handling arrangements with input from the deceased's family.

They are not written by The Quincy Sun.

Obituaries are submitted by the funeral homes and are printed in The Sun space permitting.

Finley Mullally

Finley Mullally, of Quincy, loving husband, proud father, doting grandfather, son, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend to many, passed away on Saturday, June 22nd, after a short, but fierce battle with pancreatic cancer.

Born in Dorchester on June 30, 1962, to Finley and Linda (both deceased). Finley is survived by his two brothers, Steven (Kimmie) and Tim (Patty) and his two sisters, Marylinda (John) and Karen (Andrew). He was predeceased by his sister Anne.

Finley is also survived by his beloved wife Patti, his devoted daughters Jessica, Linda, Kathleen (Garry) and Maureen (James), his granddaughter Charlotte ("Charli"), who was the apple of her Grampy's eye.

Finley also leaves behind countless loving nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws, friends, as well as his very special Auntie Barbara.

Owner of Infowires, LLC, since 2003, Finley was known by all as being a steadfast, honest, and principled man of business.

Genevieve A. DeVasto, 78

Genevieve Ann DeVasto, better known as Ginny, was a longtime resident of Weymouth, peacefully passed away on Tuesday, June 25, 2024. She was 78.

She was born to Mary (McCarthy) and Philip DeVasto and raised in the Boston area. Later in life, she went on to take classes for psychology at Goddard College and Lesley University. Ginny worked as a freelance bookkeeper for 40 years.

Ginny's family was the center of her life. It all started when she moved to Weymouth and had her 3 children, Jamie, David and Deanna. She worked full-time and raised them as a single mother. Her family truly blossomed when she had grandchildren of her own. Ginny adored her children and grandchildren. She had a passion for helping children in the court system, which brought her the opportunity to be a guardian ad litem. It was a great source of pride for her to be able to care for her family and those less fortunate.

She was a Boston sports fanatic, a true fan with unwavering loyalty. Ginny loved animals of all kinds. In her spare time, she loved walking the beach in Scituate, and spending time with her grandkids. Her generosity and charitable spirit knew no bounds. She would give her last dollar if it went to a good cause. She took frequent trips to the Pediatric Burn Care Center at Mass General Hospital to volunteer her time.



FINLEY MULLALLY

He will always be remembered and will always be missed by everyone who knew him.

A visitation for Finley will be held at Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock St. in Quincy, on Monday, July 8, 2024 from 4-8 p.m. A Funeral Mass will be held on Tuesday, July 9th at 10:30 a.m. in St. Ann's Church, 757 Hancock St., Quincy.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network in his name, or any other cancer charity of your choice that is meaningful to you, continuing his legacy of giving and strength.



GENEVIEVE A. DEVASTO

Ginny's strength, caring nature and devotion to those in need was something to be admired. She will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

Devoted mother to Jamie DeVasto of Hanover, David DeVasto of Bridgewater, and Deanna DeVasto of Weymouth. Loving sister to Kathleen DeVasto of Pembroke and Phil DeVasto of FL. Adoring grandmother to Talia and Lincoln. Also loving aunt, great aunt, and mother-in-law. Along with many cousins and close friends who will miss her dearly.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to greet the family during the visiting hours on Friday, July 5th, from 4-8 p.m. in the Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock St., Quincy. Funeral service will be celebrated on Saturday, July 6th, at 10 a.m. in the Keohane Funeral Home, Quincy. Burial in St. Paul's Cemetery, Hingham.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Ginny may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN, 38105. Please see www.Keohane.com for directions and online condolences.

In Loving Memory of

Phyllis Earls Nielsen



July 7 - 2nd Anniversary

Always on our minds,
Forever in our hearts.
Love you, too!

Jim, Phyl & Stevie

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Daniel R. Chiachio, 73

Daniel Richard Chiachio, of Quincy, died unexpectedly in his home on Tuesday, June 25, 2024. He was 73.

Daniel was born in Quincy on March 12, 1951, and was the son of the late Peter and Julia Chiachio. He was raised in Weymouth, attended local schools and graduated from Weymouth High School. After graduation, Daniel enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. and proudly served his country during the Vietnam War. He was honorably discharged on Sept. 27, 1972.

Following his time in the service, Daniel became a mason and started his own company, Chiachio Masonry in Quincy. He semi-retired in 2014 but has always continued working in masonry.

Daniel was the beloved husband of Mary E. (Reynolds) Chiachio, with whom he shared many loving years of marriage. He was the devoted father of the late Daniel Chiachio, Andrew P. Chiachio and his wife Marissa of Abington, and Timothy J. Chiachio and his wife Jessica of Bridgewater. Daniel was the loving grandfather of Drew, Abigail, and Jack Chiachio, all of Bridgewater.



DANIEL R. CHIACHIO

ter. He was the dear brother of Roberta Benedict and her husband Peter of Wareham, Peter Chiachio and his wife Juanita of New Hampshire, and the late Richard Chiachio. Daniel is also survived by his mother-in-law Phyllis (Williams) Reynolds, sister-in-law Phyllis Reynolds, brother-in-law John Reynolds, many loving nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family members and friends.

Following cremation, Daniel will be interred privately at a later date.

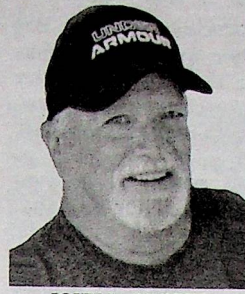
Visiting hours are respectfully omitted.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent in Daniel's name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

See www.Keohane.com for online condolences.

John Leonard Cooper, 76, of Quincy, MA, passed away at home in the care of his loving wife on June 28, 2024, after giving cancer one hell of a fight. A lifelong resident of Quincy, John was born on March 6, 1948, the second child of Ted and Eunice Cooper, both deceased. He leaves behind an older brother, Ted, and a younger brother, Gary, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Throughout his youth, "Little Johnny Cooper" was a well-known baseball player, excelling in the shortstop position. In high school he continued to excel at baseball and is a member of the Quincy High School Baseball Hall of Fame. He graduated from Quincy Trade School in 1967 and was scouted by both Baltimore and Minnesota shortly after while playing semi-professionally in the Park League...but got scouted by a different team, the United States Army, and he served in Vietnam as part of the 4th Infantry. Unable to have a career in baseball upon his return from serving his country at the age of 21, John put to use the skills learned at Quincy Trade School and became a plumber working for a few different places before eventually



JOHN L. COOPER

landing at Saunders & Associates in Boston, MA. He started out as a plumber with a basement office but worked his way up to Director of Physical Plant, spending a total of 28 years with the company. He left that position and worked closer to home for The Flatley Company in a similar capacity for four years after which he retired.

On Sept. 4, 1971, John married Diane Marie Primavera, also a lifelong Quincy resident, and they were married for 53 years. In June of 1973 they had their daughter, Colleen Marie, who gave John the best son-in-law he could ever hope for, Thomas Anthony Casey, and his first two grandchildren (for which he chose the title of "Papa"), Brianna and Ryan Casey, all of Marshfield, MA. In December of 1975 they had their first son, Craig Leonard, who gave John three more grandsons with his wife Nicole: Cameron (whose middle name is John after his Papa), Kyle, and Jayden all of Braintree, MA. In October of 1981, they had their second son and John's namesake, John Leonard Cooper, Jr., who gave Papa two additional granddaughters, Dakota and Lydia, with his first wife, Christine Wheeley-Banagis, all of Weymouth, MA. More recently, John continued the namesake when John Leonard Cooper III was born to he and his wife, Jenna (whom Papa affectionately called "Jen"), all of Whitman, MA.

Baseball never left John's life as he continued to play softball in various capacities even when his children were growing, including softball games run by the

Saunders company in which his children got to cheer him on. He coached for Craig and John's baseball teams along the way, and even did some umpiring. He was at every sporting event for his sons, whether it was baseball, soccer, hockey, or golf, and never missed Colleen's dance recitals, gymnastics meets, cheerleading rallies, or pageants. He carried this commitment on with his grandchildren, attending their concerts, games, plays, and other events. Over the years, Papa created many memories and special moments with each of his children and grandchildren but the fondest for them are trips to New Hampshire and Florida. Papa loved spending time with his grandchildren no matter where they were, home or away.

When not with his children or grandchildren making memories in places both near and far, John liked to do the same with Diane. They enjoyed their annual week at their timeshare in Ogunquit, Maine, and during those trips John liked finding a new spot to visit, place to eat, or even just a new road to travel down each year. He also looked forward to the opportunity to go on vacations with Diane with their family and friends, either to visit them or travel with them. One of John's favorite trips was to Italy, and before that a cruise to Bermuda. On any vacation he took, whether it was with his children or just with Diane, John was known for suddenly pulling out a "secret stash," money that he had put aside from side jobs, bingo winnings, or other secret sources. He would use that money to treat his family to something extra, whether as a group or for them individually, just to give them one more thing to enjoy during that trip. In more recent years, a place John enjoyed spending time was at Newfound Lake in New Hampshire. He enjoyed being the first to wake, shower, and dress, then having a quiet cup of coffee while enjoying the

view.

Somewhere in all of this, John picked up the game of golf...and the golf course became his second home. This was another sport that John could enjoy with his sons, and then Tom also became part of this circle. John became quite the golfer, even achieving the coveted hole in one...four times! In the last two years, John even got to see Colleen slowly picking up the sport. In addition to being a regular at several golf courses, John was also a member of the Quincy Elks Lodge and enjoyed spending time on and off the course with some of the friends he made there, as well as just days hanging out at the club.

No matter where John went, near or far, he knew someone or made new friends. Whenever these people crossed paths and realized they both knew John, the response was always the same: "You know Coop?!" He's such a nice guy." He truly was. He was a gentleman to all and always wanted to do and say the right thing. He was humble, kind, and committed to his family and friends. There are many memories had by all, and to say he will sorely be missed by them all is quite the understatement.

A funeral service will be held Wednesday, July 3, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. in the Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock St., Quincy.

Visiting hours were Tuesday, July 2, 2024 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Services will conclude with interment and military honors in the Massachusetts National Cemetery, Bourne, Wednesday, July 3 at 1:45 p.m.

DUE TO CEMETERY FLORAL RESTRICTIONS: In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent in John's name to The Jimmy Fund c/o Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, 10 Brookline Place West, 6th Floor, Brookline, MA 02445-7226 or by visiting: www.jimmyfund.org.

See www.Keohane.com for online condolences and directions.

Car Safe, Ready For Summer?

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habit to check the entire vehicle before locking the doors and walking away. Place personal items, like a purse or briefcase, in the back seat as another reminder to look before you lock. Ask child care providers to immediately call if your child doesn't show up for care as expected.

- **Lock your vehicle** to prevent unsupervised access and a child getting trapped inside. Keep car keys away from children and teach them that the inside of a car should never be used as a play area.

- **Act fast**, call 911 and take action if you see a child alone in a locked car. A child in distress should be removed as quickly as possible.

Summer heat is rough on vehicles due to high temperatures and stop-and-go traffic. The wear and tear on batteries, tires and vehicle components can cause problems that might not be immediately obvious but will be revealed at some

point. And the worst time to find out about those problems might just be halfway through a summer road trip.

AAA offers the following tips to get your vehicle ready for summer road trips:

- **Open the hood and check your fluids:** Engine oil, coolant, steering fluid, brake fluid and transmission fluid should all be checked and filled by a skilled technician, if necessary. Do not skip scheduled maintenance or oil changes as recommended by the manufacturer.

- **Rotate your tires and get them replaced if necessary:** Rotating tires can extend their life since front and rear tires often wear differently. To determine if your tires need to be replaced, put an upside-down quarter into the tread. If George Washington's head is above the tread line, the tires are worn and should be replaced.

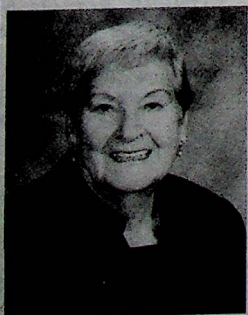
- **Check your battery:** The average lifespan for a modern car battery is 4 to 6 years. Batteries wear out

more in the summer heat than any other time of year. AAA offers members mobile battery service, which can show how much life is left in your battery and replace it, if necessary. Checking the battery includes inspecting the terminals for corrosion and loose or damaged connections.

- **See and breathe easier with new filters and blades:** Summer is the perfect time to replace consumable items like air filters and wiper blades. A new engine air filter will ensure your car runs as efficiently as possible. A new cabin air filter will prevent unpleasant, musty odors and help you and your passengers breathe easier. Wiper blades should be replaced at the first signs of wear, such as streaking or chattering and groaning noises.

- **Focus on safety:** Have your car's safety equipment inspected and repaired, if needed. Brakes and brake lines should be at the top of the list, followed by headlights and safety systems.

In Loving Memory of Your Birthday



Dorothy M. Bosworth

July 7, 1926

June 24, 2019

*Those who love you dearly,
are thinking of you today.*

*Sadly missed,
lovingly remembered.*

In Loving Memory On Your Birthday



Thomas G. Bowes

July 4, 1950 – January 26, 2023

**Those We Love Don't Go Away
They Walk Beside Us Everyday
Unseen, Unheard But Always Near
Still Loved, Still Missed and Very Dear
Love, Linda, Tom Jr. and Kristen**

86th Annual Quincy Bay Race Week Regatta 2024

LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
Docket No. NO24C0172CA
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

Norfolk Probate and Family Court
35 Shawmut Road
Canton, MA 02021
(781) 830-1200

In the Matter of:
Heather Leigh Humbert
A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by

Heather Leigh Humbert of Franklin, MA
requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:

Heather Leigh Valera
IMPORTANT NOTICE
Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: **Norfolk Probate and Family Court** before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 07/17/2024.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

WITNESS, Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court.

Date: June 5, 2024
COLLEEN M. BRIERLEY
Register of Probate

7/3/24

LEGAL NOTICE

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE
Docket No. NO24P1618EA
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Norfolk Division
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Estate of:
Helen Mary Benedict
Also Known As:
Helen M. Benedict
Date of Death:
April 11, 2024

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of:

Petitioner **Wayne Paul Huskins of Randolph, MA.**

Wayne Paul Huskins of Randolph, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

7/3/24

The Quincy Bay Race Week Association announces the 86th Annual Regatta will commence on July 18th and July 19th hosted at Quincy Yacht Club (Inside Line) and July 20th and July 21st hosted at Wollaston Yacht Club (Outside Line).

In the winter of 1937-1938 members of the Quincy Bay Yacht Clubs got together and organized the "Quincy Bay Race Week Association". Quincy Bay Race Week was born from an idea of creating a week of racing off the waters of Quincy and Weymouth to supplement the racing schedule found on the Northern coastline of Massachusetts.

Today, Quincy Bay Race Week Association is made up of the eight member yachts clubs which include Metropolitan YC, Squantum YC, Wollaston YC, Quincy YC, Town River YC, Braintree YC, Wessagussett YC and South Shore YC. Quincy Bay Race Week Association includes partnerships and collaborations with many local businesses along with the leadership of the City of Quincy and the Towns of Weymouth and Braintree.

Over its 86-years, Race Week activities and events included the racing, a boat parade and even a beauty pageant. These events have evolved into the present-day Quincy Bay Race Week Association activities of racing on our Inside Line for the children (juniors) and the Outside Line racing for the adults. Nothing has endured and been more meaningful than the junior events. All participants are filled with the passion and the joy that comes from being involved in this historic sailing competition requiring skill, knowledge, and enthusiasm.

The mission of the Quincy Bay Race Week Association is to promote sailing excellence for both the novice and the experienced through competition. More importantly, Quincy Bay Race Week provides a fun, safe, sail racing forum for the youth of Quincy and Hingham Bay and beyond. Not alone in its mission of racing, the Quincy Bay Race Week Association also promotes comradery and brotherhood between its eight-member yacht clubs.

Quincy Bay Race Week Association is a non-profit organization. Due to the leadership and the Association's fiscal management, Quincy Bay Race Week Association is proud to be able to provide four scholarships to any post high school student of a related member of any yacht club within the eight member clubs.

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City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE NO. ZBA-24-47

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals as amended, an Open Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, July 23, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169, on the application of Quyen Quan for a VARIANCE AND FINDING to erect a two-story addition to the rear of the parcel in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance 3.4.2 Nonconforming Structure and 3.2.3.1 Accessory Structure Setback on the premises numbered 274 LIBERTY STREET, QUINCY, MA.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at <https://quincyma.portal.opengov.com/search>
Martin Aikens, Chairman
7/3/24, 7/11/24

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE NO. ZBA-24-48

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals as amended, an Open Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, July 23, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169, on the application of Dennis H. Pateras for a VARIANCE to demolish existing garage and erect a free standing 20X30 foot two car garage in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance Accessory uses in the residential districts on the premises numbered 94 WALKER STREET, QUINCY, MA.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at <https://quincyma.portal.opengov.com/search>
Martin Aikens, Chairman
7/3/24, 7/11/24

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ)

Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

"Designer Selection for Engineer Services at Fore River Rotary Reconstruction and Safety Improvements Project"
City of Quincy, Massachusetts

Notice

The City of Quincy, acting through the Traffic, Parking, Alarm & Lighting Department (TPAL), is soliciting Qualifications from Engineering Firms for the Fore River Rotary Reconstruction and Safety Improvements Project. The qualifications-based selection of professional services may include, but are not limited to, engineering professional services for preliminary designs, design development, final design documents to be bid under MGL Chapter 30, Section 39M, public bid support services, construction administration and construction oversight services, and any other related services or processes contemplated in MGL Chapter 7C.

Proposals will be received at the office of the Purchasing Department; City Hall; 1305 Hancock Street; Quincy, MA 02169, until **Thursday, July 18, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. as specified in the RFQ.**

Detailed specifications are available on-line at the City of Quincy's website, www.quincyma.gov and also available at the office of the Purchasing Department, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy, Massachusetts, 02169, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

All inquiries regarding this bid should be directed to Kathryn R. Logan, Chief Procurement Officer by email: klogan@quincyma.gov and cc: mmarini@quincyma.gov. Inquiries will be accepted until July 12, 2024, at 12:00 p.m.

The City of Quincy TPAL Department shall lead a QBS process that may include shortlisting firms for interviews. A designer fee has not yet been set and will be negotiated with the most Highly Advantageous respondent. The City of Quincy reserves the right to withdraw the RFQ; to reject any and all RFQ responses; and to accept the response deemed to be in the best interest of the City of Quincy.

Non-responsive and/or unbalanced bids may be rejected.

7/3/24

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ)

Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

"Owner's Project Management (OPM) Services"
City of Quincy, Massachusetts

Notice

The City of Quincy, acting through the Public Buildings Department, is soliciting Qualifications from Firms for the Owner's Project Management Services for the Public Safety Headquarters project. The City of Quincy ("Owner") is seeking the services of a qualified "Owner's Project Manager (OPM)" as defined in Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 149, Section 44A½ and as further defined by the provisions of this RFQ, to provide Owner's Project Management Services for the construction and commissioning of the Public Safety Headquarters building located at 1 Sea Street, Quincy, MA 02169.

The Owner is requesting the services of an Owner's Project Manager to represent the Owner during the remaining construction, commissioning and final closeout of the Project. The estimated total cost of the Project is now anticipated to be \$143 million.

Proposals will be received at the Office of the Purchasing Department; City Hall; 1305 Hancock Street; Quincy, MA 02169, until **Thursday, July 18, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. as specified in the RFQ.**

Detailed requirements are available on-line at the City of Quincy's website, www.quincyma.gov and also available at the office of the Purchasing Agent, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy, Massachusetts, 02169, between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM

The City of Quincy Public Buildings Department shall lead a Qualifications Based Selection process, in alignment with MGL Chapter 7 and Chapter 149, and may include shortlisting firms for interviews. A fee for the remaining OPM services has not yet been set and will be negotiated with the most Highly Advantageous respondent. The City of Quincy reserves the right to withdraw the RFQ; to reject any and all RFQ responses; and to accept the response deemed to be in the best interest of the City of Quincy.

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Thomas P. Koch, Mayor
Edward Grennon, Director of TPAL
Kathryn R. Logan, Chief Procurement Officer

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Paul Hines, Commissioner of Public Buildings

LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION

Docket No. NO24P1677PO
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Norfolk Division
Case Name:

The Seventh Amendment to and Restatement of The Joanne P. Lyons Trust 2002

To all interested persons:
A petition has been filed by: **Thomas R. Mullen of Quincy, MA**

requesting: **Relief more fully stated in the General Trust Petition & Petition for Allowance of Account Filed 6/18/2024.**

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 A.M. on July 24, 2024.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

WITNESS, Patricia A. Gorman, First Justice of this Court.

Date: June 18, 2024
COLLEEN M. BRIERLEY
Register of Probate

7/3/24

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LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. NO24P1769EA

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Norfolk Probate and Family Court
35 Shawmut Road
Canton, MA 02021
(781) 830-1200

Estate of:
Mary A. Yucas
Date of Death:
05/27/2024

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Jean M. Yucas of Quincy, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: Jean M. Yucas of Quincy, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 A.M. on the return day of 07/31/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court.

Date: June 27, 2024
COLLEEN M. BRIERLEY
Register of Probate

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LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. NO24P1622EA

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Norfolk Probate and Family Court
35 Shawmut Road
Canton, MA 02021
(781) 830-1200

Estate of:
Katherine S. Bowes
Also known as:
Katherine Bowes
Date of Death:
05/24/2024

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Emily C. Bowes of Norwood, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: Emily C. Bowes of Norwood, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 A.M. on the return day of 07/31/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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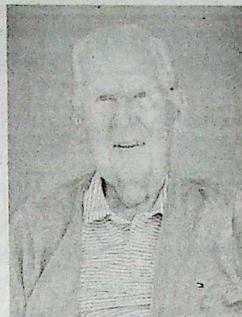
WITNESS, Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court.

Date: June 26, 2024
COLLEEN M. BRIERLEY
Register of Probate

7/3/24

OBITUARY

Charles F. Maher, 92



CHARLES F. MAHER

Charles F. Maher, age 92, of Colleyville, Tex., formerly of Quincy, died peacefully, Thursday, June 13, 2024, in the comfort of his daughter's home, surrounded by his loving family.

Charlie was born in Torbay, Newfoundland, Canada, to the late James and Mary Ann (Martin) Maher. He was educated by the Christian Brothers at St. Bonaventure's College, St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada, and developed a long and lasting devotion to the Catholic Church and a dedication to serving others. After marrying his wife, Josephine T. Penton (Jo), on Jan. 11, 1958, they moved to Nova Scotia, Canada, where he spent 20 years working for the Bank of Montreal, serving as Bank Manager in Halifax, a position he enjoyed and talked about all his life. Charlie earned his Bachelor of Arts from St. Mary's University, Halifax, and a Master of Business Administration from Dalhousie University, Halifax, while at the Bank of Montreal. He supported Jo and was always so proud of her as she developed her career as a Registered Nurse. They were active members of Canadian Martyrs Parish and Halifax's Waegwoltic Tennis and Sailing Club. In 1976, Charlie's passion for education inspired him to make a major career and life change. With the loving support and encouragement of Jo and their five children, they moved to Amherst, Massachusetts, so that Charlie could pursue a doctorate and begin a second career in teaching and education administration.

Charlie earned his Master of Science in Business Administration (1979) and Doctorate in Education (1982) from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. He joined the faculty at American International College in Springfield, initially as Professor and Chairman of the Finance Department (1979), then was appointed Dean of Faculty, Vice President of Academic Affairs (1990), and then Provost (1994). His tenure at the university was deeply impactful, both in the classroom, bringing current events and national economic challenges to his teaching, and in the administration, advocating for new programs and creating opportunities for students to reach their goals, build their careers, and take their skills back to their communities. On April 25, 1990, Charlie was recognized by Honorable Richard E. Neal, Congress-

man, in the House of Representatives with a tribute and flag flown over the United States Capital in Washington, D.C., for "having dedicated his life to academic excellence" and "having earned the admiration of his students and the respect of his peers." As stated by Congressman Neal, "He is a man of tremendous talent and ability who has left his mark on the Greater Springfield community." (from Congressional Record, Proceedings and Debates of the 101st Congress, Second Session, Washington, Wednesday, April 25, 1990).

Charlie and Jo proudly became American Citizens in 1995. He retired after 18 years at American International College, and they moved to West Yarmouth, Cape Cod, to enjoy the outdoors with their children, grandchildren, and wonderful friends. However, he and Jo missed the day-to-day family involvement and the vibrance of a city, but most of all, he missed the interactions in the classroom and the opportunities to help students. They moved to Quincy, and Charlie took an adjunct professor role at Northeastern University, Boston, teaching economics. He volunteered with SCORE in Boston, becoming a business mentor and advisor to entrepreneurs seeking to start and develop new businesses. He enjoyed riding the T into Boston, where he was immersed again in education and found great joy in being back teaching and advising.

When asked what he most enjoyed during his later years, Charlie often said, "To be useful to others, to participate in important things, and to use the gifts God has given me. I have been so blessed in my life." His deep faith and passion for service reflected his loving Irish Catholic home and upbringing. Over many years, some of his roles included serving as a Lector and Eucharistic Minister at his beloved St. Joseph's Church in Quincy, volunteering at soup kitchens, food pantries, and hospices,

and driving friends and family in need, happily accompanying them anywhere they needed support, including to medical appointments in Boston. His and Jo's passion for helping people in great need took them to Kingston, Jamaica, to work alongside Father Richard Ho Lung and the Missionaries of the Poor. While there, Charlie was known for being able to do "anything," reflecting his willingness to help in whatever was needed, whether providing direct care, serving food in the kitchen, or working with the men on the building site. During all this, Charlie had a smile, a warmth that came through in his joy working side-by-side when needed, and he had a wonderful gift for putting others at ease and developing their trust.

Charlie was devoted to his family. He was quiet and humble yet had a wonderful sense of humor and was quite a joker. With a hearty laugh and often so happy in the moment, his eyes radiated love and joy. As a Canadian raised on the icy ponds in Newfoundland, Charlie was an excellent skater, hockey player, and (after the thaw) avid tennis player. He shared those passions with his children, including a love of Boston sports, and most notably as their tennis coach for many years in Nova Scotia - practicing with them, driving to tournaments, and managing their tennis careers. In the winters in Canada, Sunday was mass in the morning, and skating at St. Mary's University rink during the afternoon free skate with his children eagerly taking turns to join hands and "fly" around the ice with Dad. He also had a passion for music and had a great voice to go with it, often breaking into a song to reflect a particular moment or leading the singing in church accompanied by one of his children on the organ. However, Charlie's greatest love was family holidays and get-togethers, which always included classic traditions filled with great music, love, laughter, and storytelling around the table. Having him say Grace was always a highlight of every occasion. The whole family fondly recalls many Fourth of July, when a day spent outdoors all together was topped off with a Granda-led prayer before a BBQ and a viewing of the Boston fireworks and Pops performance - where Charlie could often be heard humming and singing along. Each of his grandchildren enjoyed their "one-on-one"

time with Granda when he was their greatest champion, supporter, teacher, coach, tour guide on many trips, and fun storyteller. He reveled in their successes, from pre-school through college and beyond, and was there for them during their challenging times, making each feel special and always deeply loved.

Charlie embraced and held dear his roles of husband, Dad, Granda, and Great Granda, as well as Brother and Uncle. He was the much beloved husband for sixty-four years of the late Josephine T. "Jo" (Penton) Maher. He will be deeply missed by his daughter Catherine Burns and her husband Bob of Pinehurst, N.C., daughter Dr. Elizabeth Maher and her husband Dr. Robert Bachoo of Colleyville, TX., son Charles Maher of Manchester, N.H., daughter Mary Jo Blackington and her husband Jay of Lakewood Ranch, FL., and son Peter Maher and his wife Nancy of Charlestown. His grandchildren cherished their time with him, especially their special trips to wonderful places. Stephen Burns and his wife Keeley, and their children Teddy and Lincoln; Jennifer Burns; Charlie Blackington and Sara Blackington; Meghan Backoo and Emily Backoo; and Christine Maher.

He was the dear brother of Shirley MacKeigan of Whycomagh, Nova Scotia, Canada, and was predeceased by Madeline Mueller, Bernard Maher, and James Maher.

Charlie is also survived by nieces, nephews, and their families, whom he loved to hear from and chat or visit with. His incredible memory would bring joy and laughter to get-togethers, especially when telling family stories of the early days in Flat Rock, Torbay, and St. John's, Newfoundland. All will long remember him.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated in Saint John the Baptist Church, 44 School St., Quincy, on Friday, June 28. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery, 990 LaGrange St., West Roxbury.

For those who wish, donations in Charlie's memory may be made to Saint Joseph Church, c/o 556 Washington St., Quincy, MA 02169.

Arrangements under the direction of the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Ave., Quincy. You are invited to visit www.thesweeneybrothers.com or call 617-472-6344.

HOLLYWOOD

by Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD – Ninety-year-old Oscar winner and former “Rat Packer” Shirley MacLaine is one of the last four living stars from the Golden Age of Hollywood, along with Jane Fonda, Sophia Loren and Robert Redford. MacLaine has recently completed her 65th film, “A Family Affair,” with Nicole Kidman, Zac Efron and Kathy Bates. It hits Netflix on June 28. She’s also shooting her 66th film, “People Not Places” with Stephen Dorff, in New Jersey.

Oscar winner Will Smith’s comeback film (post-Oscar slap) “Bad Boys: Ride or Die” made over \$200 million during its first two weeks (against its \$100 million cost). Smith snuck into a theater showing in Baldwin Hills, California, and when patrons discovered him there, they went wild with praise for him. “Bad Boys for Life” grossed \$426.5 million in 2020, and this sequel is poised to beat it. Chris Rock made \$40 million from two specials on Netflix because of the Oscar slap, and Smith is back from exile in only two years. Next for Smith is “I Am Legend 2” with Michael B. Jordan.

In order to leave 007 behind, Daniel Craig is sporting a new un-Bond-like, long-hair look in the upcoming “Knives Out” sequel “Wake Up Dead Man.” His co-stars are Andrew Scott, Kerry Washington, Glenn Close, Jeremy Renner, Mila Kunis, Josh Brolin and Josh O’Connor. The original “Knives Out” grossed \$312.9 million, while

its sequel only grossed \$15 million before dropping on Netflix. The “threequel” will probably go straight to Netflix, but we’ll have to wait until 2025 to see it.

Billy Zane (of “Titanic” fame) is currently channeling Marlon Brando in the upcoming film “Waltzing with Brando,” based on the nonfiction book of the same name by Bernard Judge. His co-stars are Jon Heder, Tia Carrere, Richard Dreyfuss and Rob Corddry, and the film was actually shot on the island Brando owned, called Tetiaroa.

In 1989, I encountered Brando at South African singer Miriam Makeba’s opening at the Coconut Grove nightclub in the Ambassador Hotel. I asked Brando if he’d smile for my camera. He asked, “Why?” I told him that I’d never seen a photo of him smiling, which made him smile. Inside the club, I shot photos of him with Eartha Kitt and Jane Russell, and he showed my lens a lot of teeth, saying, “See? I’m smiling!” Those photos were seen around the world, which made me really, really “Smile!”

The delightful Emma Thompson has Hugh Jackman, Nicholas Braun, Nicholas Galitzine and Molly Gordon as her co-stars in the comedy “Three Bags Full: A Sheep Detective Movie.” The film is about her flock of friends who must solve the murder of a sheep shepherd (Jackman), and it isn’t due until February 2026. They’re calling them “a baaaaad A-list ensemble cast!”

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GO FIGURE!

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

DIFFICULTY: ***

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
*** GO FIGURE!

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KOVELS Antiques & Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

Decorated Tiles — Artus Van Briggle and his wife, Anne, were decorators at the Rookwood Pottery in Ohio. They moved to Colorado after Artus was diagnosed with tuberculosis, and he opened his own pottery there, the Van Briggle Pottery, in 1901.

After Artus died in 1904, Anne took over the pottery. Van Briggle Pottery is known for its art nouveau vases with abstract flower shapes or graceful human figures in a single rich color, subtly varied shades or tonal gradients of matte glazes. The glazes were Artus’ passion, inspired by centuries-old Chinese pottery. This tile, which sold for \$2,125 at a Rago auction, shows another side of the pottery. The subject matter of a few trees in a landscape may have been influenced by Artus’ training as a painter in Europe before his career in ceramics. The shapes in the background may have been inspired by the mountain scenery of Colorado.

The scene was created with the cuenca technique for decorating tiles. Spanish for “basin,” cuenca involves molding a design onto the tile before it is fired, leaving shapes outlined with raised lines. The shapes are then flooded with glaze; the raised lines keep the different glazes separate.

Q: I’m looking for some advice on selling antique Coca-Cola items. I have some 1920s brown bottles, lithographed cardboard signs from 1948 to the 1950s, and mirrors from the 1970s to 1980s.

A: Coca-Cola syrup was invented by pharmacist Dr. John Stith Pemberton. The first glass of Coca-Cola was sold at a soda fountain in Atlanta in

1886. Coca-Cola has become one of the world’s most recognized brands. Thousands of Coca-Cola advertising items have been made and are popular collectibles today. There is even a club for collectors, the Coca-Cola Collectors Club (website: cocacolacub.org). Many items have been reproduced. Authentic memorabilia sells well in shops, online sites, and auctions. Check online sites to see what items like yours are selling for. There are auction houses that specialize in sales of bottles and auction Coca-Cola mirrors, signs and other items. Prices for rare items are high, but common signs, bottles and toys sell for less than \$100.

TIP: Don’t soak old ceramic pieces in water for a long time. Old repairs may be loosened.

CURRENT PRICES

- Pottery, tankard, arts and crafts, matte green glaze, raised leaves and beaded swag around rim, J.S.T. & Co., Hampshire, 5 1/2 inches, \$90.
- Coin-operated, change machine, penny, dispenses five pennies when a nickel is deposited, red, funnel top, metal, c. 1909, 28 inches, \$190.
- Garden, seat, cobalt blue glaze, allover white cherry blossom branches, white nail-head trim, Chinese, 20th century, 18 1/2 inches, \$380.
- Doll, Mattel, Barbie, Ken, With “Lifelike” Bendable Legs, Titian-haired Barbie, multicolor bathing suit, blond Ken, red bathing suit, blue open shirt with “K,” boxes, pair, \$1,005.

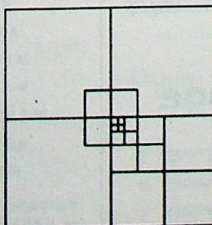
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STICKELERS

by Terry Stickels

How many squares of any size are in the figure below?



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Strange BUT TRUE

• In October 1969, in a forest in the Palloneva region of Finland, farmer Heino Seppi split an aspen log and discovered its middle was rotten, forming a hollow that contained a dry fish around 1.3 feet long. No one knows how the fish got there.

• Christopher Columbus’ first transatlantic voyage traveled at a rate of around 2.8 miles per hour.

• Several of Aristotle’s writings have survived thanks to the men of a Roman army who invaded Asia Minor around 80 B.C., found a number of his manuscripts in a pit, and took the papers to their general, Sulla. It turned out that no other copies of many of them existed, and Sulla had them taken to Rome and recopied.

• Queen Berengaria of England, the wife of Richard the Lionheart, was the only English queen who never actually set foot on English soil.

• The Eiffel Tower in Paris,

the City of Light’s best-known monument, was saved from demolition in 1909 only because there was an antenna of great importance to French radio telegraphy mounted at the top of it.

• Allergy sufferers will not be surprised (nor like) to hear that pollen is one of the few natural substances that does not deteriorate.

• British Rail’s engineering division applied for and received a patent for a flying saucer capable of carrying 22 passengers in 1972, but apparently lost faith in the feasibility of the project just four years later, and allowed the patent to lapse.

• Although “Shoeless Joe” Jackson was barred from baseball’s Hall of Fame for his alleged role in the 1919 Black Sox Scandal (he pleaded innocent), his spiked, black leather shoes can still be found there.

Thought for the Day: “Don’t count the days, make the days count.” — Muhammad Ali

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Now here’s a tip!

by Jo Ann Derson

• Fireworks can be a lot of fun for the kids, especially sparklers. To keep it safe, use a water bucket for spent sparklers. Another idea is to have an adult stationed at the bucket. The children must “turn in” a used sparkler to get a new one. The kids love to hear the sizzle, their feet won’t get burned on hot sparklers underfoot, and there will be no stray sparklers in the grass hidden for later. (Thanks, J.C.!)

• Keep in your living room or family room a globe or world map and a dictionary. This way, you can look up the meaning or spelling of a word if you hear it on television, and you’ll be able to reference the map for places mentioned. I consult mine often.

• “I use the large pails of kitty litter. They have a lid that can be removed completely but also has a pour spout. I save my empties to collect rainwater. I remove the lid and set them out to catch water when it rains, then put the lid on so

that the water does not attract mosquitoes. I use it to water my flowers between storms.” — via email

• “Purchase a variety of wood frames from secondhand stores or tag sales, and paint them all one color. It makes a statement when you hang them all close together on a wall. We created a nice large display this way, and it was very inexpensive to do.” — E.M. in Arizona

• Create your own charging station: Find a wooden box large enough to hold a multistrip power connection and pretty enough to sit on the counter. Drill one hole in the side to fit the plug. In the top of the box, create holes through which you can fit your electronics connectors (cellphones, iPad, camera, etc.). All the cords will be stored in the box, out of sight.

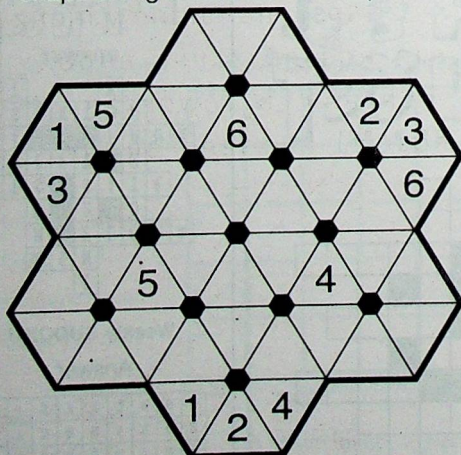
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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



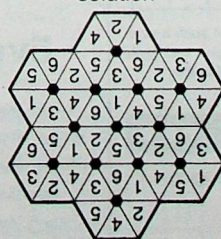
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SNOWFLAKES

solution



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Sticklers Answer
There are 25 squares.

Super Crossword

TV REPLACEMENT

ACROSS

- 1 Small order of greens
10 Weighing devices
16 Hostility halter
20 Preach from place to place, perhaps
21 Arm bones
22 Nights before
23 People who yearn to take part in a lunar landing?
25 "Tall" story
26 Wd. division
27 Scratch, e.g.
28 Give help to
29 Divvy up
30 An award-winning new device?
38 With little space in between
40 Crosswalk user, in brief
41 "Hear, hear!"
42 "I refuse to repeatedly forgo this rule for you?"
48 Scratch (out)
49 Cartoon "Explorer"
50 Ruby-colored

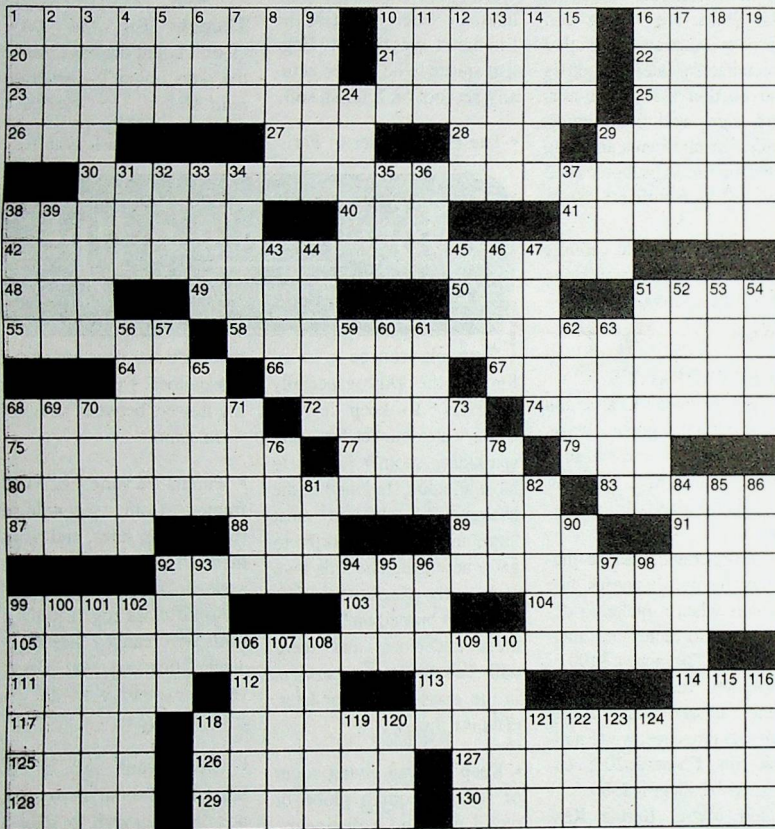
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43 Stiffly formal

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45 Writer Levin
46 Aloe —
47 Actor Elba
51 Actress Laura
52 Me, myself —
53 9-to-5er's cry of relief
54 "Oho, old chap!"
56 Interwoven
57 Sub tracker
59 Painter Max
60 Pathogenic bacterium, for short
61 Factor of nine
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63 Night watch
65 Filmmaker
66 Dairy animals
69 Iridescent gemstone
70 Dream, in French
71 "— got a deal for you!"
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109 French for "cup"
110 Parades
115 Carry along
116 Baseball Hall of Famer
118 Peppery
119 Eng. course
120 Apt., e.g.
121 Road furrow
122 Outmoded RCA product
123 Alias lead-in
124 Element #50



celebrity extra

by Dana Jackson

Q: Is it true that Michael Crichton has a new book coming out? I thought he passed away years ago. — E.M.

A: "Jurassic Park" author Michael Crichton died in 2008 of cancer at the age of 66. He graduated from Harvard Medical School, but followed his passion for writing and developing novels, films and television shows ("ER"). According to People magazine, Crichton's widow, Sherri, has been searching for a writer to finish the incomplete manuscript that her husband left behind. She found that writer in bestselling author James Patterson. Crichton was fascinated by volcanoes and provided "meticulous notes" on what he started, so Patterson and Sherri worked together in a "joyful collaboration" that included "intense research on volcanology to make sure the book retained Crichton's signature gripping momentum and rigorous scientific accuracy." The finished novel, "Eruption," is now available for purchase in stores and online, and there's a really good chance it'll be on the big screen someday, too.

Q: Whatever happened to the planned sequel to "Waiting to Exhale"? I know there

was a follow-up novel, which I really enjoyed, but I was hoping to see the cast reunite for the film. — K.K.

A: You're correct that a sequel was in the works based on Terry McMillan's book "Getting to Happy," which was the sequel to her novel "Waiting to Exhale." Unfortunately, the project was canceled after the tragic death of one of its stars, Whitney Houston. The remaining three stars, Angela Bassett, Lela Rochon and Loretta Devine, did not believe in continuing the film without their friend Houston.

The good news is Rochon and Devine are part of the ensemble cast of "Terry McMillan Presents: Tempted by Love," an upcoming romance movie for Lifetime, starring Garcelle Beauvais ("The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills"). Beauvais will play a famous chef who falls for a handsome young man 20 years her junior. The movie sounds reminiscent of another McMillan novel-turned-movie "How Stella Got Her Groove Back." The original film will premiere on Lifetime on Aug. 17 at 8 p.m. ET.

Q: Will there ever be a reboot of "Desperate Housewives"? It seems like now would be the perfect time for an updated version of the show. — F.A.

A: Not if the show's creator Marc Cherry has any say in it. Eva Longoria, who played Gabrielle Solis on the show during its entire run from 2004-2012, says she's all for it.



Late author/filmmaker
Michael Crichton
(1942-2008)

Photo: Courtesy of
Universal Studios

However, she told Entertainment Weekly that Cherry feels like he doesn't have anything else to say about the characters that he hasn't "already fully mined."

You can catch Longoria in the new miniseries "Land of Women" on Apple TV+ and the new season of "Only Murders in the Building" on Hulu. "Only Murders" will be partially set in Los Angeles, with returning stars Steve Martin and Martin Short, as well as the return of season three's Meryl Streep. Longoria will join Eugene Levy and Zach Galifianakis as one of the show's signature guest stars in supporting roles.

Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com, or write me at KFWS, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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| 1. Cast member | — L — — — — | Religious request | — R — — — — |
| 2. Pursue | — A — — — — | Opted | — O — — — — |
| 3. All those geese | — A — — — — | Snicker | — I — — — — |
| 4. UK unit of weight | S — — — — | Make amends | A — — — — |
| 5. Staff of life | — — — — D | Pause | — — — — K |
| 6. Tote | — A — — — — | Spicy Indian food | — U — — — — |
| 7. Food store section | — — — — R — | Monday thru Friday | — — — — L |
| 8. Gale Storm role | — — — — E | Page border | — — — — N |
| 9. Horse seat | S — — — — | Ping pong racket | P — — — — |
| 10. Round map | — — — — B — | Catcher's gear | — — — — V — |

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

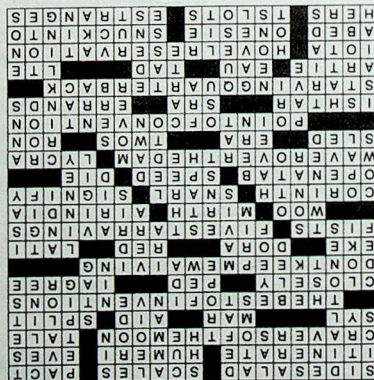
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Super Crossword

Answers



Even Exchange answers

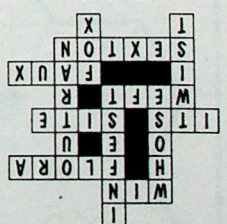
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| 1. Player, Prayer | 6. Carry, Curry |
| 2. Chase, Chose | 7. Dairy, Daily |
| 3. Gaggle, Giggle | 8. Margie, Margin |
| 4. Stone, Alone | 9. Saddle, Paddle |
| 5. Bread, Break | 10. Globe, Glove |



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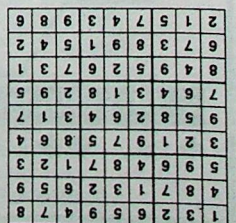
Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

FEAR & KNIGHT answer



Weekly SUDOKU

Answer



Amber Waves

WHERE IS THAT FARMER?
I'M STARVING OVER HERE.

I HOPE HE HAS A NEW
BLEND OF CHICKEN FEED.
THE LAST ONE WAS LOUSY.

HEY THERE, FELLA. EAT UP.
TRY MY NEW SPECIAL
RECIPE. IT'S TOP-NOTCH!

I APPRECIATE THE EFFORT,
BUT THE PRESENTATION
NEEDS SERIOUS HELP.

Out on a Limb

WHO'D LIKE SOME
TAPIOCA?

HIT ME...

HIT ME...

STICK...

RETIREMENT HOME FOR
OLD BLACK JACK PLAYERS

Americanisms

"If you're offered a seat
on a rocket ship, don't ask
what seat! Just get on."
— Sheryl Sandberg

Just Like Cats & Dogs

WOW, THOSE ARE ALL GOOD REASONS,
BUT THAT'S NOT WHY I'M UPSET RIGHT
NOW. CARE TO KEEP GUESSING?

SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Order
SIGNAL

Cherub
GLEAN

Brief
TREES

Fairy
PRIEST

TODAY'S WORD

"Didn't you inform her she had the right
to remain _____?"

Micro Crossword

By Elizabeth C. Gorski

Across

1 "Lawn Boy" band

6 -car
(airport service)

7 Gold mold

8 Bagpipe sound

9 Large sea duck

Down

1 parade

2 "La Danse" painter
Matisse

3 Money motto starter

4 "JFK" director

5 Internet troll, often

STREAMING
SOURCE

Here's what to watch and where to watch it
for the week of July 8, 2024

10-July: "Fly Me to the Moon" (PG-13) — AppleTV+

10-July: "Sunny" (Season 1) — AppleTV+

10-July: "Receiver" (Docuseries) — Netflix

11-July: "Tyler Perry's Divorce in the Black" (R) — Prime Video

11-July: "Mastermind: To Think Like a Killer" (Docuseries) — Hulu

11-July: "The Neon Highway" (PG-13) — Netflix

11-July: "Vikings: Valhalla" (Season 3) — Netflix

12-July: "Me" (Season 1) — AppleTV+

12-July: "The Long Game" (PG) — Netflix

14-July: "Five Star Chef" (Season 2) — Netflix



Fireworks leave pet owners with few options

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My brother-in-law has invited the whole family to his lakeside house for the Fourth of July, with a cook-out and fireworks in the evening. My husband and I never go anywhere without our dog "Ranger," and while we want to attend, we know the fireworks will upset our dog. Should I tell our in-laws to cancel the fireworks part of the cookout? — April H., Tavares, Florida

DEAR APRIL: You can certainly ask your brother-in-law to nix the fireworks, but be prepared for a chilly reception to your request. Family dynamics can be difficult to navigate, and doubly so during big holidays that feature loud music, alcohol and fireworks. Consider some other options:

- Can you leave Ranger at home for a few hours to at-

tend this party?

- Do you absolutely have to go? Will your relatives be hurt if you don't attend?
- Are you able to have a calm conversation with your brother-in-law about fireworks and how stressful they are for pets?
- Could you make an appearance and then leave before the fireworks begin?

As a pet owner myself, I know how difficult the Fourth of July holiday can be for pets, especially in states where fireworks are sold legally. The explosions, even from a distance, can really stress them out. I've had these conversations with fellow pet owners. Most of them choose option number four: They attend parties in the afternoon to enjoy the cookout and leave before the fireworks start. That way, they can be at home to comfort their pets if any fireworks go off nearby. This may be the way for you to go. But you can also opt to just "nope" out of the party entirely. It's your choice, made with Ranger's health in mind.

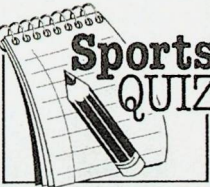
Send your tips, comments or questions to ask@pawscorner.com.

WORD LADDERS

Can you go from SAUCE to TASTY in 6 words? Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

SAUCE

TASTY



1. Who recorded more sacks in his rookie season: Joey Bosa with the 2016 Los Angeles Chargers or his brother Nick with the 2019 San Francisco 49ers?
2. What tennis player did actor Jamie Foxx serenade with "Can I Be Your Tennis Ball?" at the 2003 ESPY Awards?
3. Name the driver from New Zealand who won the inaugural Cup Series Chicago street race in his NASCAR debut in 2023.
4. On May 30, 2019, Maurice Allen became the first to suc-

- cessfully hit a golf ball across what international landmark?
5. What cycling road race, held each spring in Northern France, is known as "A Sunday in Hell" and "The Hell of the North"?
6. What team did Cheryl Reeve coach to four WNBA championships from 2011-17?
7. In March 2023, Czech free-diver David Vencl set a new world record for deepest vertical dive without a wetsuit by plunging how many meters?

Answers

1. Joey, with 10.5 sacks (Nick had nine sacks).
2. Serena Williams.
3. Shane van Gisbergen.
4. Niagara Falls.
5. Paris-Roubaix.
6. The Minnesota Lynx.
7. 52.1 meters (about 171 feet).

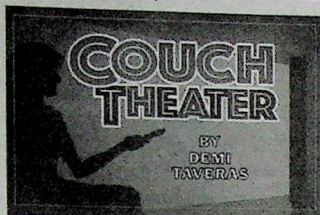
Micro Crossword Answer

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N	O	N	E	
T	O	G	I	
A	N	E	R	
S	H	I	P	

WORD LADDER Answer

HASTE, HASTY, TASTY
SAUCE, SAUTE, HAUTE,
SCRAMBLERS
solution
SILENT
Today's Word
3. Terse; 4. Sprite
1. Alligsn; 2. Angel;

MORE SUN FUN



"Beverly Hills Cop: Axel F" (R) — Thirty years after "Beverly Hills Cop III" hit theaters for the first time, the fourth installment of the franchise hits streaming on July 3! Having gone through multiple directors and screenwriters over the years, it took a while for the fourth film to come to fruition, with its development tracking all the way back to the mid-1990s. But they were able to get back on track in 2022, and Eddie Murphy, who also serves as a producer on the film, reprises his role as the titular character Axel Foley. Joseph Gordon-Levitt ("Pinocchio") and Kevin Bacon ("Leave the World Behind") join the cast, while Judge Reinhold also reprises his role as Billy Rosewood. Get ready for lots of laughs, thanks to Murphy's signature humor. (Netflix)

"Land of Women" (TV-MA) — Based on the bestselling novel by Sandra Barneda, this series is billed as a "comedy-drama thriller." Led and produced by Eva Longoria ("Only Murders in the Building"), the series follows Gala (Longoria), a woman whose life suddenly falls apart at the seams when she finds out her husband is in debt for \$15 million. Since he's unable to pay the loan back, he begs her to leave town to avoid the ruthless loan sharks, so Gala decides to take her mother and daughter on a "girls' trip" to Spain. Once there, their trav-

els are anything but an easy-breezy vacation, but Gala ends up learning much about herself and what the significance of family truly means to her. The first two episodes are out now, with subsequent episodes released every Wednesday. (Apple TV+)

"Space Cadet" (PG-13) — There's always one title featured that's considered the weakest release of the week, and without a doubt, this week's is a film starring Emma Roberts ("Madame Web"). Roberts plays a party girl in Florida named Rex who's grown weary of her drunken routine. Since she often reflects on her hidden aspiration to become an astronaut, Rex decides that now is the time to finally pursue her dream. With the help of her best friend Nadine (Poppy Liu), who fobs just about everything on Rex's resume, Rex surprisingly gets selected to participate in astronaut training. But when she arrives at Johnson Space Center in Houston, she can't help but stick out like a sore thumb. Notable names in the cast include Gabrielle Union ("The Perfect Find"), Colombian pop artist Sebastian Yatra, and Desi Lydic ("The Daily Show"), but not even they can save this movie. Out on July 4. (Amazon Prime Video)

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Courtesy of Netflix
From left, John Ashton, Eddie Murphy and Judge Reinhold star in "Beverly Hills Cop: Axel F"

Contract Bridge

POWER OF POSITIVE THINKING

South dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.
NORTH
♠ 6 5 3
♥ A K Q 10 5
♦ J 7 2
♣ A K
WEST
♠ A 10
♥ 9 6
♦ A K Q 10 8 3
♣ 7 4 3
EAST
♠ J
♥ J 7 4 3 2
♦ 9 5
♣ J 10 8 6 5
SOUTH
♠ K Q 9 8 7 4 2
♥ 8
♦ 6 4
♣ Q 9 2

The bidding:
South 3♠ West 4♦ North 4♠ East 4♠
Opening lead — king of diamonds.

A fundamental rule of defensive play is that until proven otherwise, you should never credit declarer with a hand that would allow him to make the contract. Rather, you should try to picture holdings that would allow you to defeat the contract. At times these imagined holdings might seem farfetched, but, even so, it cannot be right to think in a manner that in effect

concedes the contract. Let's say you're West in today's deal, defending against four spades. You cash the king of diamonds and continue with the queen as everyone follows suit. You assume that South has a good seven-card suit for his opening three-spade bid. How would you continue? Looking at dummy's impressive hearts and clubs, you realize that you can't defeat the contract unless your side can score two trump tricks. All your thoughts should therefore be devoted to visualizing trump distributions that would allow your side to collect a second trump trick in addition to your ace. You should conclude that if South has the K-Q-J-x-x-x of spades, scoring a second trump trick will not be possible. But if partner happens to hold the singleton jack or queen, you are in business.

So at trick three you continue with a third diamond, and just to be sure that partner ruffs with whatever trump he has, you lead a low diamond rather than the ace! As it happens, partner ruffs dummy's jack with the spade jack, and your ten of spades becomes the setting trick.

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by Steve Becker

Puzzles4Kids Answer

What did the ghost say on the fourth of July?
Red, white and boo.
Answer
Puzzles4Kids

Puzzles4Kids CODED RIDDLE

Change each letter to the one that comes immediately BEFORE it in the alphabet to find a riddle and its answer.

Here's a copy of the alphabet to guide you:

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

XIBU EJE UIF HIPTU TBZ PO

UIF GPVSUI PG KVMZ?

SFE, XIJUF BOE CPP.

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SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

Getting by on a low food budget

I recently read a report about price increases and inflation. It was financially technical, meaning it used a lot of terms that regular people would need to look up to understand, which means most of us wouldn't ... which left the writer of the report free to come to conclusions not connected to reality.

For example, this particular report said that during the reporting period we'd had only a very tiny increase in food prices because of a drop in energy costs, and so on, which skewed all the individual numbers when they were averaged out.

Which doesn't help us at the grocery store, does it?

Here are some ideas to make our food dollars go further:

Sign up for every local grocery store loyalty rewards program you can find. Those amounts add up, and sometimes you'll get a surprise with the occasional coupon for a free item or buy two get one free. At the very least, you'll get a credit on your rewards account. My local store, for example, adds up all the credits for three months and applies them quarterly to my account once I activate them.

Take advantage of the sales at those stores by shopping their weekly flyer, either the paper version or digital version online. See how much of your weekly menu you can create by using those sale items, especially proteins and generic house brands. Keep an eye on the coupons that are issued at checkout and watch the coupons if you get the Sunday paper.

Check into free senior lunches, the food bank. Meals on Wheels, meals at the senior center, the local Council on Aging and churches with donation pantries as a means of getting no-cost food.

The key thing to remember is to eat as well as you can to stay healthy.

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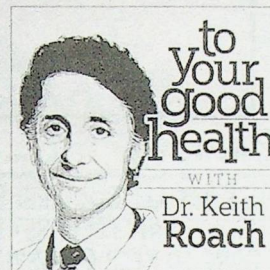


1. Who released "(Your Love Keeps Lifting Me) Higher and Higher"?
2. Name the group that released "This Old Heart of Mine."
3. Which artist released "Rock With You"?
4. Name the first No. 1 song released by Dire Straits.
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "Once I thought my innocence was gone, Now I know that happiness goes on."

Answers

1. Jackie Wilson, in 1967. The songwriter objected to how it was being sung, but Jackie Wilson stepped up and recorded the vocals in one take. It went to No. 1 on the R&B chart.
2. The Isley Brothers, in 1966. The song was used in the television show "Moonlighting" in the 1980s, starring Bruce Willis and Cybill Shepherd, and was included on the soundtrack album.
3. Michael Jackson, in 1979. The song was released on his "Off the Wall" album.
4. "Private Investigations," in 1982, in the Netherlands. There was no No. 1 in the U.S. until 1985 with "Money for Nothing."
5. "The Longest Time," by Billy Joel in 1984. Originally written for a vocal group, Joel ended up doing all the parts himself. The song went to No. 1 on the Adult Contemporary chart but only No. 14 on the Hot 100.

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Doctors Differ on Dietary Advice for Lynch Syndrome

DEAR DR. ROACH: I am a healthy 55-year-old woman who eats well and exercises (with both weights and cardio) six to seven times per week. Four years ago, I was diagnosed with Lynch syndrome. (I have the "MLH1" genotype.) My primary care physician suggested testing after my sister died of cancer at the age of 48. (Doctors were never able to determine if she had breast or lung cancer because of the location of the cancer.) All of my siblings (four of us) have been tested, and each of us has it. Two of my nieces have also tested positive for it.

I have three adult children of my own, and my doctor told me that at least one of them will have it. Of my three children, only one has been tested, and she tested positive for it. Since my diagnosis, I have been receiving regular preventive care such as colonoscopies, endoscopies and mammograms. Other than some polyps that were removed, checked, and free of cancer, all procedures have come back "clear."

One doctor told me to eat little to no red meat, follow a Mediterranean-style diet, and exercise. Another told me: "Live your life and eat whatever you want. Lynch Syndrome is hereditary. No matter what you do, you'll either get cancer, or you won't!"

I feel like I'm getting mixed messages from my doctors. Could you please tell me more information about Lynch syndrome? Does this mean that I will definitely end up getting cancer? Is there preventive care that I should focus on? -- G.R.

ANSWER: Lynch syndrome is caused by a mutation

in a group of DNA repair genes. Without these repair genes, a person's DNA is more liable to have errors in it when duplicated, which leads to an increased risk of cancers. People with Lynch syndrome are particularly at risk for colon cancer, but also cancers of the stomach, kidney, bladder and other organs. Women are at a higher risk for endometrial and ovarian cancer, but it remains debated whether breast cancer is a Lynch-associated cancer. Men with Lynch syndrome are at a higher risk for prostate cancer.

Among family members, it is expected that half will inherit the Lynch mutation. Your family has been unlucky. I recommend that your other children get tested soon.

Of the four major genotypes in Lynch syndrome, MLH1 tends to have the highest risk of cancer, and approximately 70% to 80% of women with this genotype will get a Lynch-associated cancer, usually colon or endometrial. The goal is to find and remove these cancers before they can spread.

I strongly disagree with the doctor who suggested that diet isn't important. When you are at a higher risk for cancer, it's more important to have the healthiest lifestyle you can. A Mediterranean-style diet, which is high in fruits and vegetables and low in processed foods and meat, is likely to reduce your cancer risk, but it is critically important to continue screening.

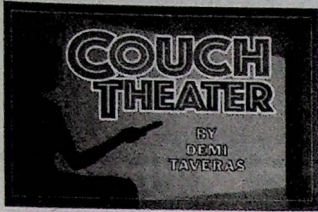
A colonoscopy is recommended every one to two years. Many experts perform endometrial biopsies every year, despite iron-clad evidence of benefit. Ovarian cancer screening is controversial and of uncertain benefit; some high-risk women have chosen a risk-reducing surgery to remove their ovaries and fallopian tubes.

Any symptoms of endometrial or ovarian cancer should be discussed with your physician, who can decide whether to do additional testing.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual questions, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu.

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MORE SUN FUN



"A Family Affair" (PG-13) — From the producers of "Anyone but You," this rom-com is led by quite the interesting trio — Nicole Kidman ("Expats"), Zac Efron ("The Iron Claw"), and Joey King ("The Kissing Booth" trilogy) — with Kathy Bates and Liza Koshy co-starring. King plays Zara, the personal assistant to celebrity Chris Cole (Efron), while Kidman plays Brooke, Zara's widowed mother. Upon learning that her boss of two years is hooking up with her mother, Zara understandably undergoes a bit of a crisis, especially knowing firsthand how much of a selfish man Chris can be. Amid Zara's protests, Brooke and Chris' relationship starts to deepen, as Brooke acknowledges that she hasn't felt this way in years since the death of her husband. So, will Zara continue to stand in her mother's way, or will Nicole Kidman get her happily ever after with Zac Efron? (Who would've thought!) Find out on June 28. (Netflix)

"Red Right Hand" (NR) — In this action-thriller film out on June 28, Orlando Bloom dons a Southern accent to become Cash, a hardworking man who is just trying to live a quiet life with his niece and brother-in-law after the death of his sister. But his past wasn't as clean as his present, and the presence of the kingpin Big Cat (Andie MacDowell) in his town is a reminder of that tragic past. But when Cash finds out that his brother-in-law owes Big Cat a hefty sum of \$100,000, Big Cat starts showing her

claws and terrorizes their family. So, Cash is left with no choice but to fall back into her trap, and he promises to do three jobs for her to repay the debt. Despite his honorable intentions, he quickly realizes that he underestimated the mercy Big Cat will show and buckles up to finally put the kitty down. (Hulu)

"Fancy Dance" (R) — Erica Tremblay makes her feature directorial debut with the perfect actress to lead this emotional drama. Taking place on the Seneca-Cayuga Nation Reservation, Lily Gladstone ("Under the Bridge") stars as Jax, an aunt who is helping prepare her 13-year-old niece, Roki (Isabel DeRoy-Olson), for an upcoming powwow. Because Roki's mother recently went missing again, this powwow holds a special importance to Roki, and Jax tries her best to step up in Roki's mother's place. But law enforcement fails to show any desire to find Roki's mother, rather showing an interest in Jax's criminal background that they think makes her an unsuitable guardian. Even though they force Roki to live with her close-minded grandparents, the renegade Jax sneaks Roki out to embark on a journey to find her mother in time for the powwow. This moving film premieres June 28. (Apple TV+)

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Isabel DeRoy-Olson, left, and Lily Gladstone star in "Fancy Dance."

Contract Bridge

PICK THE BEST LINE OF PLAY

North dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ 83
♥ 107
♦ A 10
♣ A Q 10 9 5 3

WEST

♠ A J 9 5 4 2
♥ 9 4 2
♦ 7 4
♣ 8 2

EAST

♠ 10 6
♥ K J 6 5
♦ Q J 9 3
♣ K 6 4

SOUTH

♠ K Q 7
♥ A 8 3
♦ K 8 6 5 2
♣ J 7

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 ♠	Pass	1 ♦	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	3 NT	

Opening lead — five of spades.

It is not unusual for declarer to have more than one way to play a hand. Usually, the choice is made by relying on percentages or on information gained from the opponents' bidding or play. Of course, if declarer could see the defenders' cards, there would be no problem.

Regardless of the factors on which declarer bases his play, one constant is present: He dismisses from consideration those distributions that render the contract unmakeable. He also ignores

those hands where his play makes no difference. Instead, he concentrates on cases where what he decides to do can make or break the contract.

Here is a typical case. South is in three notrump, and West leads a spade, on which East plays the ten. Let's first assume declarer wins with the king and tries a club finesse. East takes the king and returns a spade, and South goes down two. But declarer makes the contract if he does not win the first trick. That's what he'd do if he saw the adverse cards, but more importantly, it's what he should do even if he doesn't see them.

Why? Because by ducking he succeeds when the spades are divided 6-2 and East has the king of clubs. This is because East won't have a spade to return after he wins the club king.

South likewise succeeds if the spades happen to be divided 4-4, in which case what he does doesn't really matter, since the defenders can't score more than three spades and a club. Finally, if West has five spades and East three, not taking the first trick again does no harm, though it does no good either. Assuming best defense, declarer can't make three notrump if the spades are 5-3 and East has the club king, since West would duck the spade return at trick two and eventually defeat the contract.

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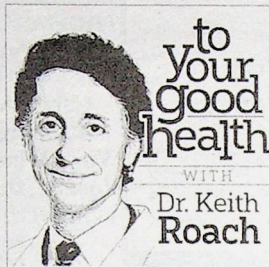
RIDDLE SEARCH — LET'S WORK OUT!

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: **How does T-Rex feel after exercising?**

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COOL DOWN
CYCLE
DIVE
HOP
JOG
JUMP
LEAP
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PUSH
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THROW
TRAIN
TRY OUT
TUMBLE
WALK
WARM UP

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N	O	J	O	G	O	A	S	O	S
I	U	U	R	P	P	W	A	L	K
A	T	M	N	O	A	D	N	E	B
R	E	P	H	C	T	E	R	T	S
T	U	M	B	L	E	T	L	O	B

Riddle answer: _____



Medicines Usually Maintain Efficacy Past Their Expiration Dates

DEAR DR. ROACH: I recently tested positive for COVID using an expired home test, and I self-isolated for five days. I also realized every Tylenol, antihistamine, DayQuil, NyQuil and allergy pill that I had was past its expiration date. Some were only expired by a few months, but most were expired by two to four years. I guess I don't get sick often.

My question is: Before I dispose of these, how effective are they, and are any of them dangerous to use? — K.L.

ANSWER: Drug manufacturers are required to make expiration dates, and they guarantee that the drugs are what they say they are and are effective until a certain date (at least if they are properly stored in a cool and dark area). This does not necessarily mean that they become ineffective or dangerous after expiring, and many drugs have been proven to maintain efficacy for years or decades after the printed expiration date.

A military study found that 90% of drugs are still effective 15 years after expiration. It is rare for a drug to become dangerous; however, the tetracycline class of antibiotics is one where toxicity has been found.

In general, if a drug is a few months to a year past its expiration date, it is probably OK. (Liquid drugs, nitroglycerin and insulin are notable exceptions.) But at some point, you have to ask yourself whether it is worth the small risk of the medicine being less effective, especially for inexpensive over-the-counter (OTC) drugs.

Also, COVID test kits may have an extended expiration date. The Food and Drug Administration maintains a list at [tinyurl.com/COVIDTestKitExpire](https://www.fda.gov/COVIDTestKitExpire).

DEAR DR. ROACH: Can you comment on N-acetyl cysteine (NAC), an OTC supplement for psychiatric illness? I

am interested in its safety and effectiveness and whether there any side effects or cautions when taking it.

Also, what is the safe daily dosage, and how long does it take for benefits to occur? — L.B.

ANSWER: NAC has been intravenously used for many years in medicine as a specific antidote to acetaminophen toxicity. It is also used via inhalation to thin out thick mucus so that it can be coughed out. As you say, several recent studies have looked at its effectiveness with a variety of mental health issues, including depression, obsessive-compulsive disorder, and cannabis use disorder. Although there is a risk of a severe allergic response when used intravenously, it is generally safe when used orally. Some studies have looked at the effectiveness of NAC by itself, while others looked to see whether NAC can improve outcomes in combination with the standard treatments.

Although the literature is mixed, I say that there is promise with this treatment. When I recommend it, it is most commonly with patients who do not want to use the standard treatments or who want the lowest possible dosage. The dose used in most studies is 1-3 grams daily.

In one well-done study that looked at adults with major depression, the group who combined NAC with the standard treatment showed superiority over those who received the standard treatment alone. The difference was seen after 20 weeks of treatment. Not all studies showed a benefit.

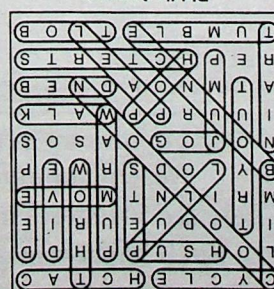
I want to emphasize that an OTC supplement, no matter how promising, is not a substitute for medical care, especially psychiatric care. If you have a mental health issue, ask your mental health provider about NAC.

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Answer

Dino-sore.

Riddle Answer:



SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

Beware the pepper

Oh my goodness. There's an electric stove that turns itself on, with the heating elements spontaneously getting hot! Or the temperature changes all by itself!

And there is a garden tiller that, due to a faulty instruction manual, can come apart with the tines posing a laceration hazard when the machine is used.

And there is a vinegar cleaning solution that's so caustic there is a risk of chemical burns in consumers.

These warnings come courtesy of the Consumer Product Safety Commission (www.cpsc.gov/recalls).

In the case of the stove, the manufacturer is stepping up with a free inspection and repair.

The manufacturer of the tiller is sending out new assembly instructions.

The remedy for the caustic vinegar cleaning solution, however, is less than satisfactory. The response is to stop using it and send away for a new warning label to paste on the bottle.

Other recent recalls on the CPSC website include defective crib bumpers that can obstruct breathing, a pool drain cover that can entrap swimmers, a smoke and carbon monoxide detector that doesn't work, kids' pajamas that are a burn hazard and eyelid wipes for dogs that are full of bacteria.

So many defective products! And without product safety alerts we might never know, until someone we know gets hurt.

A few hints:

Before you buy a product, check online for any safety alerts.

Save your receipts when you buy products, especially those that are complicated enough to come with a user manual. Tape the receipt inside the front cover of the manual or keep a folder of receipts for products you purchase.

To stay safe, sign up for product recall alerts. Besides the CPSC website, check www.recalls.gov for an even wider selection of product types and, foodsafety.gov for food alerts. Right now they have a salmonella alert for black pepper.

Black pepper? Who would have suspected something was wrong with pepper.



1. Who was Stu Sutcliffe?

2. What was the name of Elvis Presley's first movie?

3. "Twist and Shout" and "Ask Me Why" were on which Beatles album?

4. Which group wrote and released "It's Your Thing"?

5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "Well, I came across a child of God, he was walking along the road."

Answers

1. Sutcliffe was the original bass guitarist of the Beatles, sometimes known as the Fifth Beatle. He was also a painter and preferred to head in that direction instead of stay in music. He died of a brain hemorrhage at the age of 22 while studying at an art college in Germany.

2. "Love Me Tender," in 1956. It was to be titled "The Reno Brothers" until Presley's recently released "Love Me Tender" song went gold and the film title was changed. Originally, his was a small part, but due to demand, Presley's role expanded.

3. Their debut album, "Please Please Me," in 1963.

4. The Isley Brothers, in 1969.

5. "Woodstock," by Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young, in 1970. Written by Joni Mitchell, the CSNY cover tells the story of making a journey to the Woodstock festival, held at Max Yasgur's farm in Bethel, New York.

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Mixed-Use Development Eyed On Granite Street

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structured spaces within the footprint of the residential building and 147 surface spaces. Some of the covered spaces, 49 of them, would be for customers of the retail components.

The project would have two distinct components, Shoss said; a seven-story residential building along Hannon Parkway on the south side of the site and a single-story retail building along Burgin Parkway, roughly where Dollar Tree and TJ Maxx are now located. The Burger King site would be home to a multi-tenant, drive-through building, he added.

Vehicles can currently enter the site via both Granite Street and Hannon Parkway, and both entrances would be available in the new development. Vehicles and pedestrians alike would be able to enter on the Hannon Parkway side via a street-level accessway under the residential building.

The developer is aiming for a mix of commercial tenants, Shoss said, but it is too soon to say who those tenants will be.

"As for future commercial tenants, it's too early to say at this point but we plan to improve the mix across



NEW DEVELOPMENT on Granite Street would include a mix of commercial tenants, including restaurants and retailers. This view is from Granite Street looking toward Burgin Parkway.
Rendering Courtesy The Grossman Companies

the board and we seek out the best in market brands and vendors that will improve the shopping, entertainment and culinary options for Quincy and offer great amenity to our future residential users," he said.

Planning Board member PJ Foley said the developer should consider affordability when it comes to choosing commercial tenants.

"In the current mix, you have some retail options that are affordable. It's the early staging and that's your call, but if you could think about that moving forward. It's nice to have that in Quincy," Foley said. "It's nice to see the development and we need it, but it's also nice to know there are places like we currently have right now

that serve a need."

Kimberly Bielan, the board's chairperson, asked Shoss why such a large amount of space — more than 8,000 square feet — was being set aside for office space in the new development; the office space would be located on the ground floor of the residential building on the corner of Hannon Parkway and Granite Street. Shoss said that all he could say was that The Grossman Companies presently occupy 8,000 square feet of office space in Quincy.

Board member John Kelly said the proposed development would tie in well with developments planned for the opposite side of Burgin Parkway.

"I think it's going to tie in

nice with the project across the street. It looks good," Kelly said. "I look forward to seeing the full presentation."

In other business on June 26, the Planning Board approved Steve Austin's proposal to build four new residential units at 24-26 Branch Street in South Quincy. A two-family home is currently located on site. Austin had proposed maintaining that home, adding a single-family home behind it, plus three townhouse-style units on the right-hand side of the parcel. The applicant first went before the board in March.

In addition, Rob Stevens, the city's deputy planning director, announced that the public comment period

for Quincy's Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan is now open until July 26. Information on the plan can be found by

visiting the city's website, quincyma.gov, and hovering over the "residents" link at the top of the screen.

Color Guards March In Flag Day Parade



COLOR GUARDS from various organizations were among the groups that marched in the Quincy Flag Day Parade June 15. They included the Morrisette American Legion Post #294 (shown here), the United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps (top right) and Quincy Fire Department (bottom right). The color guards are shown as they march near Veterans' Memorial Stadium on Hancock Street.
Quincy Sun Photos/Robert Bosworth



Quincy's Maureen Mazrimas Commonwealth Heroine Award Recipient

Quincy resident Maureen Mazrimas, an actively involved member of the Squantum and Wollaston community, was recently recognized at the State House as a 2024 Massachusetts "Commonwealth Heroine" award recipient.

Mazrimas was nominated for the award by state Rep. Bruce Ayers.

"I'm proud to have nominated Maureen to recognize everything she's done for the community," said Rep. Ayers. "Maureen has made significant contributions to the City of Quincy, specifically the Squantum and Wollaston neighborhoods, through her selfless activism and advocacy with the Friends of Wollaston Beach."

Mazrimas is a founding member of Friends of Wollaston Beach, and has served as its president for many years. In this role, she has

planned community events, cleanups, and awareness campaigns to provide for the preservation of natural resources and the restoration of Quincy's coastline.

"Her leadership has resulted in increased membership and attendance at events, as well as awareness of the need for accessibility and preservation of our beaches," Ayers said.

Maureen is also active with the Wollaston Yacht Club, and was a 17-year member of Quincy's Community Preservation Committee. She is also a former member of the Zoning Board.

"What an honor," Mazrimas said. "It needs to be shared with my family, the board of FWB, and the general public, without whom I would not be able to do any of this. Advocating for the beach and its users is really a team sport, but the good

news is that anyone can join the team."

The Commonwealth Heroine award is sponsored annually by the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women. The MCSW calls on state legislators to nominate a woman from their constituency to receive the award, presented to those who selflessly work to benefit their communities in a variety of ways.

Mazrimas was recognized at the State House on June 14, along with the other 2024 Commonwealth Heroine award recipients. She was presented with a state citation from Rep. Ayers.

"Maureen is an integral member of the community, selflessly giving back to ensure that Quincy residents can enjoy our beautiful coastline for years to come," Ayers said. "Through everything she does, Maureen works hard without any



QUINCY RESIDENT Maureen Mazrimas (third from left), was recently recognized at the State House as a 2024 Massachusetts "Commonwealth Heroine" award recipient. With her are (from left) Catherine Mullin, state Rep. Bruce Ayers and Maureen's husband, Michael Mazrimas.

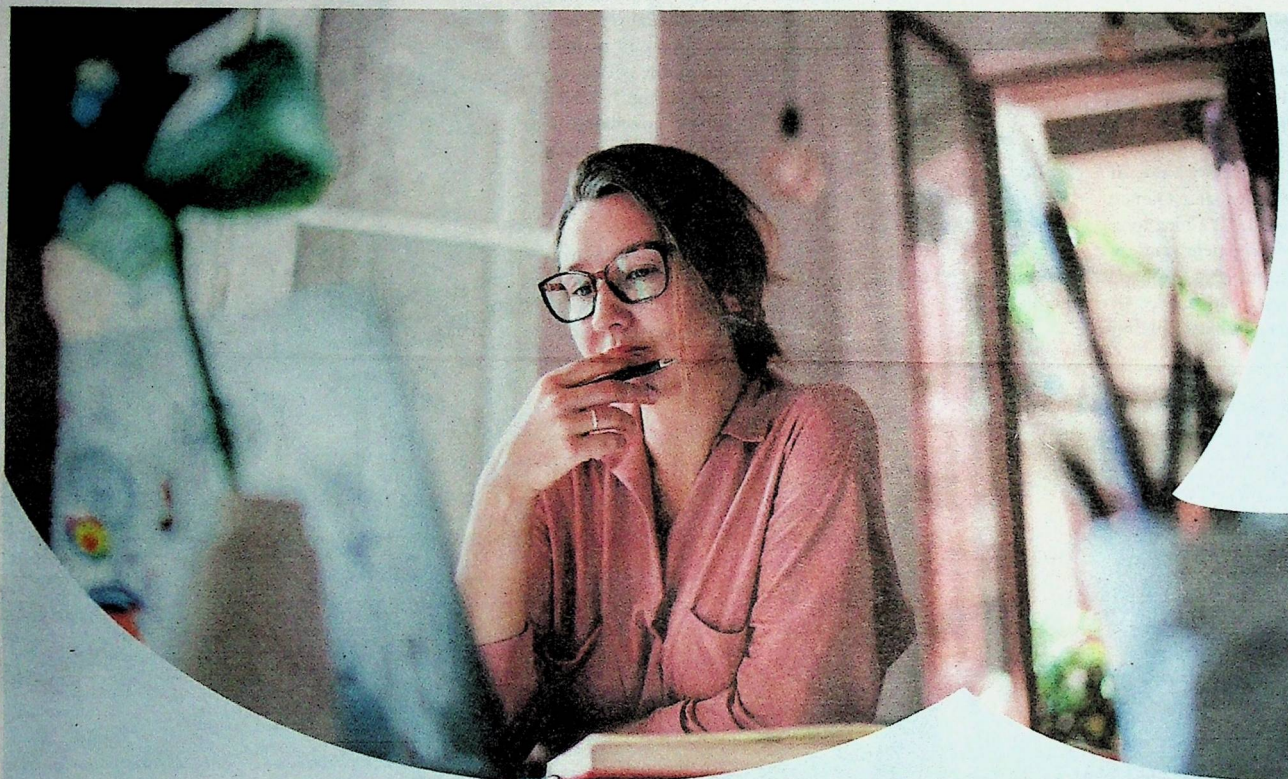
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fanfare nor want of recognition. I'm proud to have nominated her as a 2024 Commonwealth Heroine, and congratulate her on this

well-deserved honor."

"Thanks so much to Rep Ayers for this nomination," Mazrimas said. "I hope to be able to continue to en-

courage others to become stewards of the wonderful resources entrusted to all of us."



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